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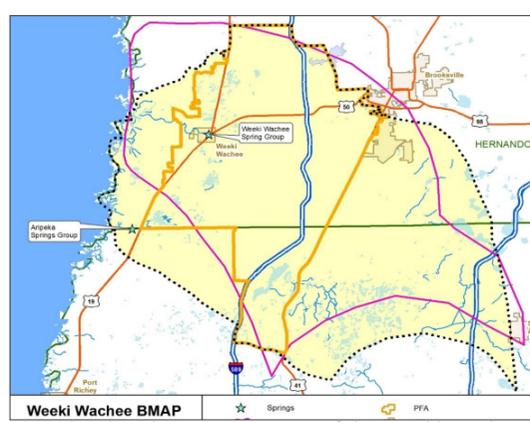
Spring is a time for flowers to burst into bloom, trees to tremble with new leaves, showers to scrub the skies until a rainbow shows through — all signs of new life! Fittingly, the joyful religious events of this season in both Judaism and Christianity bear the promise of freedom and a new life for those who will believe. Though some solemn events were part of its past, a light-hearted spirit will mark Judaism's ritual meal of the Seder this Saturday night launching Passover, a week-long celebration of the freeing of the Jews from slavery in ancient Egypt. Symbolic foods eaten at appropriate references during the **See TAFT, Page 17**

Septic to sewer conversions: who will pay, will it work?

By JULIE B. MAGLIO
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

In 2016, the Florida Legislature passed the Florida Springs Protection Act. The act called for the creation of Basin Management Action Plans for major springsheds systems in the state. Each BMAP is created by the Florida Department of Environmental Protec-

tion with input from local governments. The purpose of the BMAP is to create a roadmap for "Total Maximum Daily Load" or TMDL pollutant reduction. The main pollutant of concern for the Weeki Wachee Springshed is nitrates and one of the major sources they found to contribute to groundwater nitrates is septic systems.



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Brooksville Legends Clinic: youth receive guidance from the greats

by JOE CARLINO
Photos by ALICE MARY HERDEN

When playing baseball, whether for the first time or later in life, young individuals are taught the basics of the game: how to swing a bat, catch a fly ball, and run the bases. The same goes for historic Tom Varn Park in downtown Brooksville, which has been a staple of our community's athletics, recreational or competitive at the interscholastic level.

And on a crisp Sunday afternoon, the park would write another chapter in its legacy.

Led by eight former Major League Baseball players, the Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association offered some great lessons to roughly 100 local youth players in the Tampa Bay area. Of the eight legends that participated, nearly half have some form of ties to the area, whether it be local products of Hernando County itself or former greats who spent parts of their careers in Florida-based **See LEGENDS, Page 11**



Hernando High's Bronson Arroyo recently retired from the Cincinnati Reds participated in the Legends for Youth Clinic at Tom Varn Park on Sunday. Photo by Alice Mary Herden

High Point residents honor military with Veterans Memorial

BY SARAH NACHIN
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"A lot of good people kept coming together and everything fell into place." This was how Raymond Thomas described the success of the Veterans' Memorial project at High Point Golf Community in Brooksville.

Thomas, a Vietnam veteran and resident of the community, conceived the idea from a conversation he had with a neighbor one evening last February and

brought the idea before the High Point Board of Directors.

"Everyone fell in love with it [the idea of a veterans' memorial] and supported us," Thomas stated.

After that, Ron Keiper and he formed a committee and got members of the Social Club, Art Club and other residents on board with the plan. The next step was getting local businesses to assist in various ways.

"We went to Home Depot and **See MEMORIAL, Page 14**



Aerial view of the Memorial- Courtesy of High Point



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County penalized by state for sewage overflow during Irma

By JULIE B. MAGLIO
 HERNANDO SUN STAFF

The state of Florida issued Hernando County Utility Department a violation for sewage overflow due to Hurricane Irma, incurring a \$6,000 penalty plus a \$500 administrative fee.

In a letter to Chairman Champion and the Board of County Commissioners, Mary Yeargan the Florida Department of Environmental Protection District Director explains that their findings conclude the county released 33,225 gallons of untreated wastewater into the Gulf of Mexico, which then entered into a wetland area.

The FDEP gave the county the option of completing an in-kind project valued a 1.5 times the civil penalty amount. The in-kind project must be approved by the FDEP and must be an environmental enhancement, restoration, or a capital facility improvement project. They also note that they would consider a donation of environmentally sensitive lands.

The Hernando County Utilities Department elected to complete an in-kind project rather than paying the penalty.

SEWER

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The Weeki Wachee BMAP is being established and our local governments have already begun and completed projects on the preliminary BMAP. Kevin Coyne with the FDEP estimates that the Weeki Wachee BMAP will be complete by June as the July deadline for all BMAP adoptions is fast approaching.

The following statement appears on FDEP website:

“These broad-based plans are developed with local stakeholders - they rely on local input and local commitment - and they are adopted by Secretarial Order to be enforceable.”

The Hernando Sun has reached out to the FDEP in regards to what enforceable specifically refers to. If projects listed on the BMAP must be completed, then who is penalized and what penalties are incurred, if the projects are not completed?

One of the projects listed on the BMAP for the Weeki Wachee Springshed is the \$240,000 Septic to Sewer conversion study- which has been completed. The study by Coastal Engineering, looks at the feasibility of converting 32,000 properties in the Weeki Wachee Springshed from septic to sewer in 19 districts (A-S). The total price of doing so, is estimated around \$700 million.

District A and B septic to sewer conversions from the conversion study have made it onto the preliminary BMAP. Districts A and B are located just north of Weeki Wachee Springs. The price for completing both conversions is \$48 million. There are 900 septic systems to convert in District A and 1,310 septic systems to convert in District B.

It looks like the county could be vested \$5 million into the first phase of sewer conversions for District A. District A Phase 1 of septic to sewer conversion was on the Application for Southwest Florida Water Management District Cooperative Funding Initiative and Priority Ranking Letter for 2019. The BOCC approved that in Sept. 2017- if funding is available they will match the cost with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (\$5 million match). Phase 2 is projected to cost another \$10 million. Phase 1 and 2 of District B conversions are projected to cost \$14 million each.

The FDEP is utilizing Nitrogen Source Inventory and Loading Estimates “in the BMAP development process to identify source categories and areas where nitrogen source

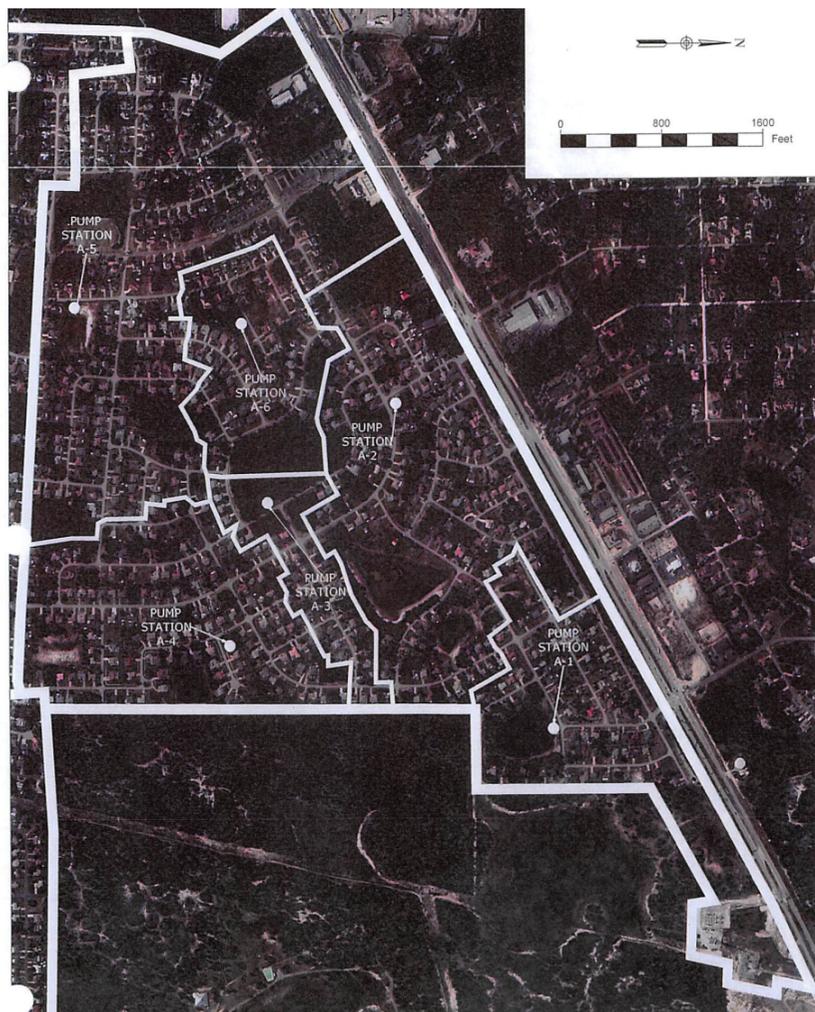


Figure 15. District A
 Septic to Sewer Conversion Study
 Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc.

Map of District A by Coastal Engineering- North of 50 and West of 19.

reduction efforts could be focused to achieve the most beneficial effects on water quality for Weeki Wachee Spring and Weeki Wachee River.”

They have found that Livestock waste is the main source of total nitrogen onto the land surface at 24% followed by farm fertilizer (22 %), atmospheric deposition (21 %), urban turfgrass fertilizer (15 %), septic systems (12 %), sports turfgrass fertilizer (4 %) and WWTFs (1 %).

However, their studies found that the “highest estimated nitrogen loads in the groundwater contributing area to Weeki Wachee Spring are from septic systems (30 %), followed by urban turfgrass fertilizer (22 %) and farm fertilizers (17 %). Sources contributing smaller amounts of nitrogen include atmospheric deposition (10 %), livestock waste (10 %), sport turfgrass fertilizer (6 %), and WWTFs (5 %).”

Offering explanations for the difference in source percentages between land surface and groundwater, FDEP remarks, “Although the overall nitrogen load applied to land surface is reduced by natural processes, the percent contribution from septic tanks reaching the groundwater surface is higher when compared to land surface percentages due to the lesser natural treatment attributes of onsite systems.”

Rep. Blaise Ingoglia has expressed concern

about the septic to sewer conversions.

“I have a number of concerns with the law, especially in regards to the implementation, the cost to comply, and the lack of scientific evidence that the law is based on. This law is effectively a huge billion dollar mandate with no dedicated funding source to pay for it. My fear is it will fall on the backs of unsuspecting homeowners in the form of huge tax increases. It’s ‘Government Gone Wild’ and I will continue to fight for better outcomes for Hernando County residents,” commented Rep. Ingoglia.

He questions the science behind the TMDL reduction requirements, explaining, “There was a study done by the University of Florida (IFAS) in conjunction with the St. Johns Water Management District within the past couple of months. Basically, their conclusion was that water flow was more to blame for the higher concentration of nitrate levels in the springs. And, while still recognizing that nitrates are a pollutant and that reducing nitrate delivery would show overall benefits, there was no scientific evidence that a reduction of nitrates would restore the springs and springs water clarity and quality. The science is simply inconclusive.”

The following septic to sewer conversion projects are listed on the BMAP for the City of Brooksville:

Connect approximately 75 septic systems to cen-

tral sewer system- planned for 2019- with cost estimate of \$1.4 million and funding source of City/DEP.

Connect approximately 300 septic systems to central sewer system - planned for 2027- estimated cost of \$6 million and funding source of City/DEP/Other.

A Pine Island Park Septic to Sewer conversion of 90 septic systems is planned for 2018- with an estimated cost of \$2.1 million to be funded by the county and DEP.

The BMAP contains many other methods of reducing the nitrate load of groundwater- including street sweeping, public outreach, retrofitting drainage retention areas with biosorption activated media, stormwater pond construction to treat runoff, the US 19 Reclaimed water project for Timber Pines, demolishing the Berkeley Manor Water Treatment Facility and rerouting to the Airport Wastewater Treatment Facility to achieve better nitrogen removal, Decommissioning the Spring Hill WTF and diverting flow to other facilities (projected to cost \$11 million and is all county funded- planned for 2019), Expanding the Airport WWTF (planned for 2020 - cost \$35 million- funded by County and DEP).

After harrowing week, bomb threat caller in custody

By MATT VANDENBURGH
 HERNANDO SUN STAFF

On Thursday, March 22, Central High School in Brooksville received their sixth bomb threat in four days. It came to an end when the Hernando County Sheriff’s Office arrested one of the Central High students, a 17-year-old female, on Friday, March 23.

The Sheriff’s Office identified her and the charges against her as follows:

“Mizella Robinson, B/F DOB/12-27-2000, was arrested on 6 counts of False Report of a Bomb, 6 counts Unlawful Use of a Two-Way Communications Device, 5 counts of Misuse of E-911 and 6 counts of Disruption of a School Function.”

Starting Monday, March 19, the students and faculty of Central High School have been harassed with the bomb threats, forcing the evacuation of the school and disrupting what normally is a stable learning environment.

Each threat turned out to be nothing more than a hoax, with the Hernando County Sheriff’s Office finding nothing dangerous on campus after each thorough search.

It was initially reported that there were only five threats, since the first two were called in just four minutes apart on Monday, at 12:43 p.m. and 12:47 p.m. The third was called in on Tuesday at 7:42 a.m. with two more following on Wednesday, at 7:29 a.m. and 10:05 a.m. The sixth and final threat was called in on Thursday at 7:25 a.m.

These calls have resulted in multiple counts on multiple charges for the girl. These include the false report of a bomb, the unlawful use of a two-way communications device, the misuse of E-911 and the disruption of a school function.

Hernando County Sheriff Al Nienhuis, while discussing the possible reasons behind the calls, noted that it was still too early to speculate as the arrest had just happened shortly before the press conference announcing it.

“I think students, unfortunately, don’t always think about the practical consequences of their actions. I’m sure that this individual, right now, is regretting her actions,” said Sheriff Nienhuis.

Sheriff Nienhuis wanted to make sure that everyone realized the severity of the situation, noting how this can be a teaching moment for anyone thinking the threats were anything less than criminal.

“Students need to learn from this, we will track them down, we’re good at this we do it all the time,” said Sheriff Nienhuis.

When asked about possible school based punishments, Dr. Lori Romano, Superintendent for Hernando Schools deferred to Sheriff Nienhuis, as the girl has already been arrested.

“There are very serious consequences and we will follow the law and apply those consequences to the utmost degree,” said Dr. Romano.

She was also intent on making sure everyone know that safety was at the top of her and every school district employ-

ee’s mind, making sure that the schools in Hernando County are some of the safest around.

It has been a trying week for the Sheriff’s office with another scare, a suspicious package left in a newspaper dispenser by the Twistee Treat near 50 and Mariner. Officers responded swiftly, taking preventative measures and having members of the Citrus County Bomb Squad come in to investigate the item after an alert county bus driver noticed it. Thankfully, the package was harmless and there was no threat to the public.

That package was left by 50-year-old Bradley Alan Tirrell, and is not believed to be connected to the Central High School threats in any way.

After a harrowing week- on Tuesday March 27, the school district still on high alert, placed a lockdown on Explorer K-8 due to “an unknown individual near or on-campus.”

HCSO ARREST SUMMARIES

The data provided is only arrest information. This data does not reflect charging decisions made by the State Attorney's Office or the outcome of criminal trials.

"Oh sh#t, my blunt."



GONZALEZ, ANGEL LUIS
YOB: 1997
CHARGES: POSS OF MARIJUANA
Arrested on 03/24/2018 16:04 XXXXX NORVELL RD, SPRING HILL
Arrest Summary: "On 3/24/2018 at 1446 hours, I responded to a verbal disturbance at the residence located at XXXX Norvell Road, Spring Hill Florida, in Hernando County. Upon my arrival, I made contact with the defendant, Angel Gonzalez, in the driveway of the aforementioned address. I then detected the odor of marijuana emitting from the defendant's person. I then asked the defendant if I could conduct a search of his person. The defendant then gave permission to search his person. Upon the search of the defendant's person, what appeared to be a marijuana cigarette was found resting on top of the defendant's left ear. The defendant stated, "Oh sh#t, my blunt." The defendant was then placed into custody. The green leafy substance that was in said cigarette was field tested using Narco Test Kit 7608, which tested positive for THC. The substance was photographed and the media card was placed into evidence. The defendant was transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident. The defendant was issued a court date of 4/11/2018 at 9:00 a.m. in

courtroom B at the Hernando County Courthouse. The defendant was issued a bond of \$1,000."

Defendant stated he had "weed" in his "backpack", he also had Meth



BROWN, JONATHAN DANIEL CHRISTOPH
YOB: 1991
TATTOO: TRIBAL-TURTLE
CHARGES: POSS OF MARIJUANA, POSS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, DRIVE WHILE LIC SUSP 2ND OFF
Arrested on 03/24/2018 03:00 NEWHOPE RD & HOLIDAY DR, SPRING HILL
Arrest Summary: "On 3/24/18, this affiant came into contact with Jonathan Brown, the defendant, during a traffic stop conducted on Newhope Rd and Holiday Dr for having no tag lights illuminating the defendant's 2010, silver, Dodge Avenger R/T, bearing the North Carolina tag DMN-6173. Upon making contact with the defendant, this affiant was able to detect a strong odor of what appeared to smell like marijuana emitting from the vehicle. The defendant, along with Krysta Penney (passenger) and Christopher Krufft (passenger), were removed from the vehicle and detained. The defendant stated he had "weed" in his "backpack" located behind the driver's seat. A search of the defendant's backpack revealed a glass jar containing a total amount of 21.5 grams of a green leafy substance that field tested positive for THC. A vehicle search yielded a black sweatshirt on the on the floor board, located by the defendant's feet. The sweatshirt contained a red, rubber, tube which had seven, small, clear bags, three of which contained white, rock like substances that field tested positive for Methamphetamine. The black sweatshirt located by defendant's feet also contained three metal grinders that contained small amounts of a green leafy substance that also tested positive for THC. The vehicle search also yielded a clear plastic bag containing a white, rock like substance that also field tested positive for Methamphetamine, which was located in the center console of the vehicle. The defendant also stated that he "did not know" who the clear plastic bag containing the white, rock like substance belonged to. A search of the defendant's vehicle trunk also yielded a long glass tube with green leafy substance residue throughout the glass tube."

Sitting at the Corner of this Intersection Digging in the Grass



KOZAK, TSUNEYA
YOB: 1966
TATTOO: TATTOO UP & DOWN L/ARM JAPANESE ART
CHARGES: BATTERY ON LEO/OTHER OFFICER, RESIST OFFICER WITH VIOLENCE, POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Arrested on 03/24/2018 19:30 COBBLESTONE DR & HOLIDAY DR, SPRING HILL
Arrest Summary: "On 03/24/2018 while on routine patrol in the area of Cobblestone Drive and Holiday Drive I located the defendant sitting at the corner of this intersection digging in the grass. A consensual encounter was conducted and I asked the defendant why he was digging a hole into the grass with his hands, the defendant stated he was looking for his mother's earrings. While talking to the defendant he kept making furtive movements with his right hand towards his right pocket as if he was guarding something. I then observed a bulge in the right pocket which I was concerned was some type of weapon, I then asked the defendant if he had any weapons or drugs on him and the defendant replied "no". I then asked the defendant if I can pat him down just to make sure he didn't have any weapons or drugs on him, the defendant then stated "sure

go ahead". I then placed the defendant's hands on top of his head and began to pat the defendant down. While patting the right pocket I felt an object that based on my training and experience was the same size and shape of a reusable pill container commonly used to transport prescription medication and narcotics. I then asked the defendant what was in his right pocket, and the defendant screamed "nothing" then elbowed me and turned around and pushed me in the chest. The defendant then attempted to run away. I then yelled stop multiple times and attempted to arrest the defendant, the defendant was then taken down to the ground to arrest the defendant. The defendant kept pushing me in my chest and at one point punched the left side of my face knocking my glasses off. The defendant kept trying to punch me but kept missing. During the struggle the defendant knocked my portable radio off of my uniform which prevented me from radioing in for back up. The defendant also broke a Hernando County Sheriff's Office insignia collar pin which was on my left collar, the pin is valued at \$5.00 and is now unusable. All of the defendant's property was scattered on the ground which came out of his pockets during the physical struggle to place him under arrest. I located a silver metal pill container with 2 blue pills on the ground, the 2 blue pills had the marking of E64 on them, a check in Drugs.Com identified these pills as Clonazepam which is a schedule 2 drug. I also didn't locate a prescription on the defendant."

"I'm going to be honest, my license is suspended."



PARKINSON, JASMYN L
YOB: 1986
TATTOOS - BOTH CALVES
Arrested on 03/24/2018 20:52 HOLIDAY DR & PINEHURST DR, SPRING HILL
Arrest Summary: "On 03/24/2018 while on proactive patrol in the area of Spring Hill Drive and Cobblestone Drive in Spring Hill, Hernando County, Florida, I observed a maroon Ford Taurus bearing Florida tag JENV42 to be travelling westbound on Spring Hill Drive. Upon further examination of the vehicle, I observed the vehicle's taillights to be inoperable and not emitting any red light. A traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle at the intersection of Pinehurst Drive and Holiday Drive in Spring Hill, Hernando County, Florida. Contact was made with the driver and defendant, Jasmyn Parkinson. When asked for her driver's license, the defendant handed me her Florida Identification Card and advised "I'm going to be honest, my license is suspended." A driver's license check was conducted via the ELVIS system which showed the defendant to hold a suspended Class "E" driver's license from Florida, with a suspension date of 02/10/2014.

A search incident to arrest was conducted on the vehicle to which I located a small brown cigar shaped object in the ashtray near the driver's seat. That object was filled with a green leafy substance which appeared consistent with marijuana. A presumptive field test was conducted on the substance using NarcoTest 7609 which turned "red", indicating the substance positive for THC. The marijuana was weighed using OHAUS scale C305-S, serial number 47871, to be .8 grams. The defendant advised to me that her purse, a black in colored medium sized handbag, was located in the backseat just behind the driver's seat. In the purse I located a white straw with red and yellow lines inside which had a residue amount of a white substance. A presumptive field test was conducted on that substance using NarcoTest 7623 which turned "blue", indicating the substance to be positive for Methamphetamine. Also in the same purse I located a red and blue "Confederate Flag" metallic knuckles with a blade inside, which was inside of a zipper pocket of the purse in a concealed manner. A criminal history check of the defendant was conducted which showed the defendant to have been convicted of felony Grand Theft on 01/16/2016 in Hernando County. A check of the Clemency Board showed that the defendant never had her civil rights restored. The defendant was then placed under arrest and transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident where she is being held on a \$12,000

bond per the bond schedule. The defendant was issued a court date of 04/17/2018 in courtroom D of the Hernando County Courthouse at 0900 hours."

"Yeah I have a Little Something"



HORNER, TERRY LAWRENCE Jr
YOB: 1981
TATTOO: RELIGIOUS THEME FULL BACK TATTOO
CHARGES: POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
Arrested on 03/25/2018 02:05 XXXX OSTROM WAY, WEEKI WACHEE
Arrest Summary: "On 03-25-2018 I responded to the residence located at xxxx Ostrom Way in reference to a trespass. Upon my arrival, contact was made with the defendant, Terry Horner, and the co-defendant, Chad Horner. While informing the defendant that he was being trespassed from the property, I observed him to continuously reach his hand into the left pocket of the hoodie he was wearing and act as if he was trying to move something from my view. At that time, the defendant was asked if he had any weapons or illegal substances on his person, to which he replied, "yeah I have a little something". I then requested to complete a search of the defendant, which he consented to advising, "I do have some needles in my pocket". A search of the defendant revealed three hypodermic needles in the left pocket of his hoodie and a gold metal pill container in the hoodie's right pocket, which contained four white rectangular pills which contained the imprint X AN X 2. A check of Drugs.com revealed the pills to be 2mg Xanax, which Drugs.com showed as being a schedule 4 controlled substance. The pills weighed a total amount of 1.3 grams, which were weighed on an OHAUS scale model number C305-P serial number 23392, at the jail. The defendant was then transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident and charged with one count possession of a controlled substance and one count possession of paraphernalia. The defendant was held on a combined bond of \$3,000.00 and given a court date of 04-23-2018 at 0830 hours in Courtroom E."

Marijuana Emanating from the Window Leads to Marijuana and Cocaine



MORTON, SEAN ANTHONY EUGENE
YOB: 1994
CHARGES: POSS OF COCAINE, POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA WITH INTENT TO SELL, POSSESSION DRUG PARAPHERNALIA
Arrested on 03/25/2018 01:45 MARINER BLVD & DETROIT ST, SPRING HILL
Arrest Summary: "A traffic stop was conducted on a white 2007 GMC van bearing the Florida tag of GQJN53 that failed to stop for a stop sign when turning south onto Mariner Boulevard from Bali Lane. Contact was made with the defendant who was driving the vehicle and there were no passengers. A strong odor of Marijuana was detected emitting from the open driver's side window. The defendant was not cooperative and denied having any marijuana in the vehicle. Upon search of the vehicle a clear plastic cylinder container was located on the floor in front of the front passenger seat that contained the above marijuana and cocaine. The defendant continued to be uncooperative and denied possession of the above substances. The defendant was then arrested accordingly and transported to Hernando County Jail without incident. The defendant was charged with possession of cocaine and held on \$2,000.00 bond. The defendant was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell and held on \$2,000.00 bond. The defendant was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and held on a \$1,000.00 bond. The defendant was given a court date of 04/23/2018 at 0830 hours in courtroom E."

While They were Being Intimate the Defendant got a call from his other Girlfriend



SEON, BRANDON HOWARD MATTHEW
YOB: 1992
TATTOO: SKEON
CHARGES: FEL DOM BATT STRANGULATION, DOMESTIC BATTERY
Arrested on 03/25/2018 06:02 75 BROAD ST, BROOKSVILLE
Arrest Summary: "On 3/25/2018 at approximately 0530 hours I responded to xxxx Jackson Ave., Brooksville, FL 34604 in reference to a Domestic Battery. The victim, Klarisa, and her "on and off again" boyfriend of three years, Brandon Howard Matthew Seon, the defendant got into a verbal argument which turned physical. Klarisa and the defendant were being intimate when the defendant got a call from his other girlfriend. Klarisa is aware of this other woman and became upset when the defendant stopped to talk to his other girlfriend. Klarisa asked for the phone. The defendant became angry and pushed Klarisa and punched her in the face. Klarisa was able to get away from the defendant and run towards the living room. The defendant followed Klarisa and grabbed her and put her in a "choke hold" and began to squeeze with his arm. Klarisa never lost consciousness. While the defendant was squeezing her neck, Klarisa advised she put two of her fingers in the defendant's nose and pulled in order to get him off of her. The defendant released her, gathered his things, and left as soon as Klarisa advised she was calling Law Enforcement. Shortly thereafter, the defendant texted Klarisa, "Should of killed u bitch." Contact was made with the defendant at the Speedway at 75 Broad St., Brooksville FL 34604. Post Miranda, the defendant stated he and Klarisa were being intimate when Klarisa became angry with him about sleeping with other women. He advised he never hit Klarisa, nor did he send her any threatening messages, despite the message being sent from his number. The defendant stated he simply pushed past Klarisa to leave and at some point she scratched his face. The victim suffered minor injuries such as redness and bruising on the right side of her face and redness on her neck. The defendant had a small scratch on the left side of his nose. The investigation determined the defendant, Brandon Seon, to be the primary aggressor and he was placed under arrest. The defendant was transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident and charged on one count of Domestic Battery (No Bond due to the charges being domestic in nature.) and one count of Domestic Battery by Strangulation (No bond due to the charges being domestic in nature). The defendant was given a court date of 04/23/2018 at 0830 hours in Courtroom E."

FLORIDA MAN

Man owes \$500K in child support; disappears on paddleboard

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Police in Florida are looking for a 52-year-old man who hasn't been seen since he went paddleboarding in the Atlantic Ocean a week ago. Fort Lauderdale police tell the Miami Herald that Constantine George Theoharis was due in court later that day — March 20 — to speak on charges of not paying over a half-million dollars in child support. But he didn't show up for court, or for work as a commercial real estate agent. The judge rescheduled his hearing for March 27, but he didn't show then either. His wallet and passport were left in his home. Family members tell police they've grown increasingly concerned. Theoharis has been divorced since 2008. His ex-wife is fighting him for child support for their two daughters.

bound on Countyline Road. I conducted a license plate query using DAVID, which revealed a white female to be the owner of the vehicle. I observed a white male, the defendant, being the driver of said vehicle. I then entered the tag in ACISS, which revealed the defendant to be associated with said vehicle. I then conducted a query in DAVID, using the defendant's driver license number that was provided in ACISS. The query revealed the defendant to be a habitual traffic offender and currently having a suspended Florida Driver license. I then pulled alongside of the vehicle and observed the male driver matching the photograph from the query. I activated my emergency lights and conducted a traffic stop in the area of County Line Road and Paris Avenue. Contact was made with the driver, the defendant. Upon asking the defendant for his driver license, the defendant stated, "I'm going to be real with you, I ain't got a license." The defendant advised that his license has been suspended for "a long time" because he cannot afford to pay the fines to reinstate his driver license. The defendant was asked to exit the vehicle and was placed under arrest and transported to the Hernando County Jail without incident. A system records check revealed that the defendant's driver license was suspended on 12/04/2003 for failure to pay fines. The defendant has previously been found guilty of Driving While License Suspended on four other occasions (9/17/2015, 5/12/2014, 9/08/2006 and 6/15/20015). The defendant was issued a court date of 4/23/2018 at 8:30 a.m. in courtroom E, at the Hernando County Courthouse. The defendant was issued a bond of \$2,000."

Sitting on the Front Porch of the House From Which She was Trespassed From



NELSON, ROXANE D
YOB: 1959
SCARS: MISSING RT LITTLE AND RING FINGER
CHARGES: TRESPASS IN STRUCTURE/CONVEY
Arrested on 03/25/2018 20:46 XXXXX WILDWOOD DR, BROOKSVILLE
Arrest Summary: "On 3/25/18 at 2038 hours, a call was received stating that Roxane Nelson, the defendant, was at the property of 20107 Wildwood Dr. and she has been trespassed from the property already. Upon my arrival at the above address, I noticed that the defendant was sitting on the front porch. The property is completely fenced and has a front gate that was closed with a chain. I recognized the defendant as I was the deputy that issued the Trespass Warning on her on 2/24/18, case #2018-05992. I called the defendant out to the fence and had her step outside of the gate. Upon making contact with her, I detained her. I confirmed via the computer that there was still an active Trespass Warning for this property on said defendant. I made contact with the Amanda Hampton, who advised she did not invite the defendant to the property and still wants the Trespass order against the defendant. Based on the aforementioned information, probable cause did exist for the defendant for Trespass to structure or conveyance after warning. Bond: \$500.

LOCAL GOV & EDUCATION MEETINGS

Brooksville Council Meeting Monday, April 02, 2018, 7:00PM
Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS

City of Brooksville Water Tower Bid Opening
Friday, April 06, 2018, 3:00PM - 4:00PM
Bid CD2018-01 Opening

Potential Council Workshop Monday, April 09, 2018, 5:30PM
Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Planning and Zoning Commission Regular Meeting
4/9/2018 9:00 AM
Government Center
John Law Ayers Room 20 N. Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601

Brooksville Beautification Board Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 5:30PM; Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting
4/10/2018 9:00 AM
Government Center
John Law Ayers Room 20 N. Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601

School Board Mtgs April 10
11AM Informal
2PM Workshop
6PM Regular
District Office-Board Room
919 North Broad Street Brooksville, FL 34601

Brooksville Planning & Zoning Commission Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 5:30PM
Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS

HC Fine Arts Council Thursday, April 12, 2018, 5:30PM
Location 201 HOWELL AVENUE, BROOKSVILLE, FL - JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON, III COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Variations approved for Hernando Beach Hotel



Above: Hernando Beach Hotel conceptual rendering. Below: The Hotel elevation - Both submitted to County by applicant

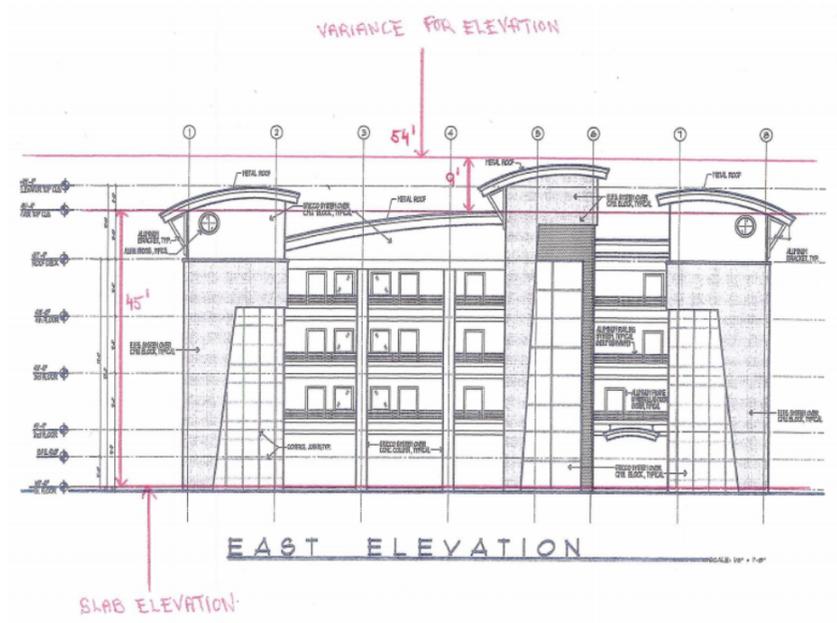
By LISA MACNEIL
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

Yann Milcendau, owner of the Hernando Beach Motel located at 4291 Shoal Line Blvd, is planning to build a new hotel on the current property, expected to be a multi-level building with a rooftop-accessible area. In order to go forward with the project, Milcendau has applied for two variances, one regarding the land footprint and the second, the building height.

The current setback from Sterling Marina is at twenty feet, and Milcendau is requesting a ten-foot variance to allow for building space. Current Hernando County Building Code sets the maximum building height at 45 feet, and a variance is sought to allow for a 54-foot building height. The building height increase will allow for roof access for the elevator shaft and two stairway towers. The additional height for the elevator shafts will allow for a better aesthetic when viewed from the road, having rather than a single-height "box."

Commissioner Nick Nicholson added that current code has been updated to ensure better architectural design and features for road-facing structures, rather than a flat, monolithic structure. The reduction in land setback from 20 feet to 10 feet impacts the Sterling Marina, whose owner, Milcendau states, "has no objection." Milcendau said of the anticipated design, "The roof is very important to us, because Hernando Beach is famous for their sunsets." He said that the rooftop access was intended to be open to the public for the sole purpose of quiet enjoyment of the sunset that they may not otherwise be able to see.

According to Milcendau, there are no plans for a bar or music for the rooftop sitting area. Public concerns of inclusion of a bar and music has never been the plan for the hotel. Such concerns stem from that



style of hotel on Clearwater Beach, however, Milcendau said, "They have five-acres of land for those hotels, I have 1.1 acre." Milcendau also lives in a unit in the existing hotel. "It's all we have. We have to be quiet."

The majority of residents disapprove of the variance, most of them stating that variances are reserved for cases of hardship. Hernando Beach Resident Joseph Ryan, who is an attorney, read from a prepared statement that included, "Often there is some inherent characteristic of a property that prevents its owner from enjoying the benefits of the property that other owners who are similarly situated enjoy. The law contemplates variances ... in order to give fairness and equity. At the same time, the law does not allow the variance to give the applicant ... a special benefit that's not available to other owners similarly situated." Ryan concluded that the variance applied for is for economic benefit, and not within the parameters of a hardship.

Margot McConnell of Hernando Beach was the first to support the two variances. Regarding the dissenting opinions, McConnell said, "I believe the intention (of those opposed) is to kill the entire project." She went on to say that Hernando Beach is growing, and called the new hotel "an attractive

addition." Considering the rooftop usage, and potential traffic, she said, "I think we sometimes over-exaggerate the use ... Shoal Line has to develop. We're going to develop on an attractive basis, or an industrial, parking and storage basis." McConnell believes her property values will rise with the expansion of the motel.

Realtor John McRae remembers Hernando Beach beginning development as a quiet fishing community. "However, as with any community, you need support for commercial property." McRae, who worked with an early developer of Shoal Line Boulevard said, "These lots were basically designed too small to support much of anything." McRae also spoke to the convenience of having the motel available to his out-of-town guests, but having only six rooms, some were forced to find accommodations in Spring Hill. "Having a nice hotel ... would be a great asset for Hernando Beach."

County Attorney Garth Collier read the variance law aloud, stating in part, "The governing body may prescribe appropriate conditions and safeguards, in conformity with the land development regulations. Violations of such conditions and safeguards when made a part of the terms under which the variance is granted shall be deemed a violation of

the ordinance." Collier recommended approval of the variances.

Commissioner Nicholson stated that the pleasure of the board is to have no public access, no entertainment or music, or weddings. It follows that large gatherings such as conventions would also not be permitted.

Milcendau responded, "I would rather have the restrictions ... than to not have the variances ... If you want to restrict it, and leave the hotel pretty, that would be great."

Commissioner John Allocco, said he "loves the design," but also sees a problem with hardship not being a point if granting the variance. Attorney Collier addressed the issue, "Obviously you treat variances very seriously, and you don't allow them for self-created hardships, but it's a balancing act; the variances are there essentially to provide 'lubricant' between two opposing forces, one being the general prohibition of exceeding any of these thresholds, and the other to protect the

City of Brooksville appoints Paul Sireci Interim Police Chief

BROOKSVILLE, FL - The City of Brooksville announces the appointment of Paul Sireci as Interim Police Chief. Interim Chief Sireci will assume the duties of Interim Chief at the close of business on March 27, 2018. Interim Chief Sireci takes over for Acting Police Chief Tracey Schofield. Chief Schofield's last day with the City is March 27, 2018.

Interim Sireci has had a long career in law enforcement rising to a Captain level with the City of Naples, FL after a 22 year career; Chief of Public Safety for the Memphis International Airport, and Director of Public Safety and Security for the Tampa International Airport.

Interim Chief Sireci will remain with the City of Brooksville for an Indefinite Period.

(Submitted by The City of Brooksville)

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public." Collier described a 'general public' and a 'specific public,' with the latter being the nearby residents. "If (the BOCC) feel the variance, if done for the right reasons -- in this case, the aesthetic -- the board can take that into account ... for the good of the people, and not the benefit of the applicant." The two variances were voted upon separately, with Allocco motioning to

approve the setback to 10 feet, which was seconded by Commissioner Jeff Holcomb. The motion passed unanimously. On the building height variance with access restrictions, Commissioner Wayne Dukes moved to approve, which was seconded by Commissioner Jeff Holcomb. The motion passed 4-1, with Commissioner Allocco voting 'nay'.

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Judge orders state to pay ASAP in citrus canker lawsuit

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — A Florida judge is ordering the state agricultural department to immediately pay residents their share from a class-action lawsuit filed after the state removed their citrus trees. Lee Circuit Judge Keith Kyle's ruling Tuesday follows a saga in which the state destroyed nearly 34,000 residential trees under the failed

citrus canker eradication program in 2000. Nearly 12,000 Lee County households are part of the suit filed 15 years ago. A spokeswoman for the agriculture department told the News-Press they're reviewing the ruling. On Friday, Gov. Rick Scott approved a new state budget that includes more than \$52

million to pay homeowners in Broward and Palm Beach counties whose trees were removed. The state ordered the destruction of even healthy citrus trees within 1,900 feet (580 meters) of an infected tree.

Information from: The (Fort Myers, Fla.) News-Press, <http://www.news-press.com>

EDUCATION

Honor Society coastal cleanup



BY LISA MACNEIL
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

The Weeki Wachee High School Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) has begun a cleanup project that focuses on coastal areas in the county. More than 50 students, teachers and area residents showed up Saturday, March 24, 2018 to remove trash and debris from near the roadway of Shoal Line Boulevard near Linda Pedersen Park and Rogers Park. They've recently cleaned up Pine Island and have future plans for the Weeki Wachee Preserve and the Weeki Wachee River. The ongoing project is led by Victoria Goldner, NHS president, and Austin Wright, who coordinates communications within the group and outside agencies.

Local Officials On the Scene:

County Commissioner Wayne Dukes stopped by to chat with the students and staff, and shared his knowledge of the area history with the students and



attendees. Dukes mentioned that he is a fifth-generation resident of Hernando County.

Shortly after the students and others made their way to the shoulders of Shoal Line Boulevard, Hernando County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) Deputies led by Colonel Michael Maurer were called to enforce speed limits after efforts to slow down traffic near the kids seemed to be ignored by motorists.

Teaching Moments:
In addition to beautifying the area, Marine Biology teacher T.J. Jordan used the effort as a teaching tool, having his students identify

how specific types of trash impacts wildlife. Marine Biology is a dual-enrollment class at WWHS, where students receive college credit through Pasco-Hernando State College (PHSC).

Susann Braden, a seventh-generation Hernando County resident teaches Earth Science, and several of her students were part of the group. Ms. Braden along with several other WWHS teachers and staff directed the students according to prepared plans, and also provided lunch at the end of the day.



The Powell Middle School Advanced Girls Choir recently traveled to Gatlinburg, TN from March 21-25. They performed at the front gates of Dollywood for the park opening. They also visited the University of Tennessee music facilities and participated in a clinic with Tennessee choral professor Dr. Jaelyn Johnson. The girls had a wonderful time visiting the Smoky Mountains, many for the first time. The girls choir performs regularly around

Hernando county and at school district functions. They also perform annually at Universal Studios, Busch Gardens and at "Christmas in Spring Hill" at First United Methodist Church. The girls choir received a rating of SUPERIOR this year at their music performance assessment by the Florida Vocal Association. This is the 13th straight year they've received a rating of SUPERIOR from the panel of 4 judges. The choir is directed by David Pletincks who has been at Powell Middle for 16 years.

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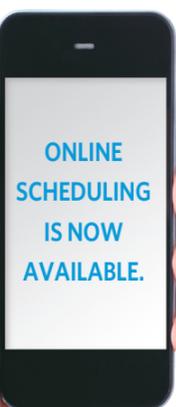
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Changes to Animal Control Regulations accepted regarding nuisances created by vicious dogs

By LESLIE STEIN
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

Raise the maximum fines that could be imposed by eliminating "classes" of violations. Meaning eliminating dangerous vs vicious dogs in subcategory labeling. These fines start at \$1,000.00, with a repeat violation up to \$5,000.00 and an irreversible violation up to \$15,000.00.

"The proposed ordinance would enact regulations for 'aggressive' dogs that have previously attacked other animals or threatened humans, but did not meet any of the statutory definitions of a 'dangerous dog'." The Florida Statutes of a "dangerous dog" is defined as one that "has more than once severely injured or killed a domestic animal

while off the owner's property", and "if an aggressive dog severely injures or kills a domestic animal." The ordinance does not make aggressive dogs dangerous dogs.

The proposed ordinance changes the set of regulations for guard dogs. The intent is to clearly define and differentiate dogs that are "legitimately being used to guard property and vicious dogs being kept as pets."

Owners of dangerous and aggressive dogs will need to carry liability insurance for any damage that their dogs may cause. The owner will need to obtain and maintain insurance for a minimum of \$100,000.00 for damage

to the person's or property caused by the dog.

The proposed ordinance would preclude animal services "from issuing kennel licenses without first receiving confirmation from the Zoning Official that the property in question" is permitted for kennel use.

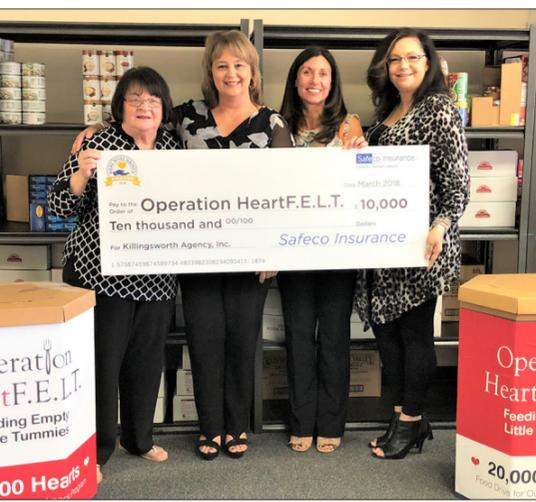
6. Regulate dog owners that have repeat violations and have been found guilty of violating Chapter 7. Publish an online registry of dangerous and aggressive dogs.

County Attorney Garth Collier clarified that the ordinance is not breed specific since it is illegal to discriminate against certain breeds in the state of Florida. The ordinance passed 4-0 with



Chairman Champion absent. The proposed ordinance is available for inspection at the Office of Clerk of Circuit Court. You also have the right to to send any written objections to the County Commissioners if you were unable to attend the March 27, 2018 meeting.

Operation Heart F.E.L.T. awarded \$10K from Killingsworth Insurance Agency



Operation Heart F.E.L.T. was awarded a \$10,000 donation from Killingsworth Agency through the 2018 Safeco Insurance® Make More Happen Award program. (L to R) - Pattie Lovette Stepbach, Operation Heart F.E.L.T. Chairman of the Board; Danielle Healis, Killingsworth Agency General Manager; Robyn Hawking, Safeco Insurance Territory Manager; and Kellie Hawkins, Killingsworth Agency Volunteer Coordinator and Personal Lines Team Lead.

Operation Heart F.E.L.T., a nonprofit group dedicated to providing nutritious meals to homeless and displaced children in local schools, has been awarded a \$10,000 donation from Killingsworth Agency through the 2018 Safeco Insurance® Make More Happen Awards. The donation will enable Operation Heart F.E.L.T. to increase their annual operating budget to accommodate additional schools and reach more students throughout Hernando county.

Killingsworth Agency originally received \$5,000 for Operation Heart F.E.L.T. through a submission process, and Safeco offered Danielle Healis, an independent agent at Killingsworth Agency, an additional chance to help. The insurance agency and nonprofit had a story about their relationship and positive impact on the community featured on the official Safeco Insurance Facebook page. Together, they were able to raise an additional \$5,000 by having their story shared on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn at least 200 times over the course of a week.

County does not increase AmSkills rent

(STAFF)

On February 13, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners voted unanimously for a motion "to leave the rent the same" in regards to a request from AmSkills to reduce or maintain the current annual base rent specified in their lease agreement. The Hernando Sun originally misinterpreted the motion to mean that the rent would be staying the same on the lease agreement and

the rent would increase from \$28,800 to \$42,613 in the fourth year- as indicated in the original agreement. However we have learned this is not the case because the county has accepted an amendment to the lease agreement that keeps the rent at \$28,800 for the 4th and 5th years of the lease. AmSkills is a manufacturing training program that has been receiving a \$200,000 annual grant from the county for operations.

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2018/04/04	Wed	05:26 AM	2.35 H	11:13 AM	0.85 L	5:00 PM	3.02 H		
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IN, OUT & ABOUT

Library Programs

SH- Spring Hill Branch Library, located at 9220 Spring Hill Drive.

WH- West Hernando Branch Library located at 6335 Blackbird Ave, Weeki Wachee, FL 34613

BV- Brooksville/ Main Library located at 238 Howell Ave, Brooksville, FL 34601

EH- East Hernando Branch located at 6457 Windmere Rd, Brooksville, FL 34602

MARCH 31

3/31/2018 10AM - 4PM Enjoy family gaming at the East Hernando Branch!
VITA - SH
3/31/2018 10AM - 1PM Volunteer Income Tax Assistance - by appt. only

APRIL 2

Windows 10 Basics - BV
4/2/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Windows 10 may look different, but let us show you how our old friend Windows is still there and what the basic skills are you need to get the most out of Windows.
Meditation Break - WH
4/2/2018 12 - 12:30 PM Enjoy a 30 minute Monday medi-

tation break with us - meditation provides many health benefits for mind, body and spirit. Chairs provided or welcome to bring mat.
Internet Q&A - BV
4/2/2018 12:15 - 1:15 PM Medicare - WH
4/2/2018 1 - 2PM For people new to Medicare or anyone who would like a better understanding of how the program works. A fun discussion with plenty of time for questions.
Long Term Care Planning - WH
4/2/2018 2 - 3 PM Understanding the latest strategies in protecting your retirement portfolio from catastrophic Long Term Care expenses.
Windows 10 Basics - WH

APRIL 3

4/3/2018 10AM - 12PM Registration is open Windows 10 may look different, but let us show you how our old friend Windows is still there and what the basic skills are you need to get the most out of Windows.
Storytime - BV
4/3/2018 10:30 - 11AM Stories, songs, and more in a storytime program designed for children between 18 months - 5 years old.
Beginner/Gentle Yoga Class - SH
4/3/2018 12:15 - 1:30 PM Registration is open Join certified yoga instructor Terry Schoonmaker for a gentle beginning yoga class to, as she says - "join me to learn & grow a little at a time, enjoying the health & well being that comes with listening to your body & connecting with mind & spirit."
Adult Coloring Class - WH
4/3/2018 1:15 PM - 3:00 PM

Registration is open Pick a Color, Any Color.
Movies @ Your Library
4/3/2018 2 - 4PM Movies on the big screen with free popcorn.
Nonfiction Book Discussion - SH
4/3/2018 3 - 4:30 PM Book discussion for adult nonfiction fans.
Learn to Sew! - WH
4/3/2018 4 - 6PM Join the waiting list Always wanted to learn to sew? Want to try it out before you invest in that sewing machine? Come to our monthly sewing class where you can learn the basics and make a simple project to take home.

APRIL 4

Windows 10 Basics - SH
4/4/2018 10AM - 12PM Windows 10 may look different, but let us show you how our old friend Windows is still there and what the basic skills are you need to get the most out of Windows.
Life Starts at 50 Club - Salsa Dancing! - SH
4/4/2018 10:30 - 11:30 AM Storytime - EH
4/4/2018 10:30 - 11AM Stories, songs, and more in a storytime program designed for children between 18 months - 5 years old.
Creative Visualization - WH
4/4/2018 5 - 6:30 PM When looking in a mirror, what do you see? What do you want to see?
Baby Storytime - BV

APRIL 5

4/5/2018 10 - 11 AM A storytime featuring stories, bounce rhymes, songs and more just for babies and their caregivers.
Windows 10 Basics - EH

4/5/2018 10AM - 12 PM Registration is open Windows 10 may look different, but let us show you how our old friend Windows is still there and what the basic skills are you need to get the most out of Windows. Florida-Friendly Landscaping Program - WH
4/5/2018 10:30 - 12PM Much Ado About Mulch
Toddler Storytime -SH
4/5/2018 10:30 - 11 AM Storytime time for toddlers featuring stories, songs, and fingerplays.
Preschool Storytime - SH
4/5/2018 11:15 AM - 12PM Stories, songs, fingerplays, and much more designed for children between the ages of 3-5.
Writers Workshop - EH
4/5/2018 1 - 3PM Free and open to the public - meets every other Thursday. All levels of experience from beginners to published authors. Our group is on-going and continuous, join at any time. Bring pen and paper. For more information call 352-583-2441.
Chess Club - BV
4/5/2018 4:30 - 6PM Learn some basic tips and tricks for chess and then show what you learned by squaring off against others!
Socrates Cafe - SH
4/5/2018 5 - 7PM Guaranteed to leave you with more questions than you came with! Socrates Cafe is an opportunity for amiable, open-minded discussion of profound issues.

APRIL 6

Baby Storytime - WH
4/6/2018 10 - 10:30 AM Registration is open A Storytime featuring stories, bounce rhymes, songs, and more just

for babies and their parents!
VITA - SH
4/6/2018 10AM - 1PM Volunteer Income Tax Assistance - by appt. only
Toddler Storytime - WH
4/6/2018 10:30 - 11AM Storytime time for toddlers featuring stories, songs, and fingerplays.
History and Biography Book discussion - BV
4/6/2018 11AM - 12PM Please join us to discuss "Richard Nixon: The Life", by John A. Farrell.
Preschool Storytime - WH
4/6/2018 11:15 - 11:45 AM Stories, songs, fingerplays, and much more designed for children between the ages of 3-5.
SHINE - EH (individual counseling by appt. only)
4/6/2018 12 - 2PM Free

Medicare and Health Insurance Counseling and Information during open enrollment period. By appointment only. Call 352-593-0705 for more information.
Signing for Everyday Living - SH
4/6/2018 1 - 2:30 PM SEFL is a crash course in basic ASL for learners at any skill level.
Tech Tutors - SH
4/6/2018 2:30 - 4:30 PM Not quite sure how to use your device? Do you have any questions or concerns? Grab your gadget and stop by!

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CryptoQuote

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IN, OUT & ABOUT

Celebrating Persian New Year

Experiencing the delightful tastes of 'Persia' with good friends

BY ROCCO MAGLIO
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

we were eating roses. Getting together with friends and enjoying a cultural celebration is a great opportunity to enjoy a new culture. Most families have their own take on traditional favorites, but through their unique take you still experience the traditions and culture.



Cabbage salad above, delicious meat kabob right.



Beautiful and sweet baklava

Nowruz is the Persian word for "new day" and is the name of the Persian New Year. Persian New Year is celebrated on the beginning of Spring. This is the first day of the first month of the of the Persian/Iranian calendar.

Nowruz is generally a non-secular holiday. It is celebrated by many groups of people in the Balkans, Caucasus, Asia, and by people of Persian descent worldwide.

There are a number of different spellings of the word Nowruz in English. In the 2006 Scripps National Spelling Bee Allion Salvador was disqualified because the Merriam-Webster (2006) only included the spelling "Nauruz".

The holiday is an occasion to gather and have a meal with friends and family. We were invited to attend a Persian New Year. There was rice with saffron and white rice the bottom of both were browned and the rice was flipped over. There were meat kabobs, grilled tomatoes, chicken shish kabobs, eggplant stew with meat. For dessert there was rose water rice noodles. The perfume of the rose heavily infused the rice and it seemed that

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Benefits of Farmers Markets



By MATT SMITH M.S.
UF/IFAS

because the break-even price for small farms is higher than at large farms. Farmers markets also serve as small farm incubators, providing valuable foot traffic and notoriety for new farms. For established farms and U-Pick operations, farmers markets remain a valuable option in a marketing portfolio. U-Pick farms can sell unpicked produce and meet potential customers, and established growers whose season suffered from pests or bad weather have an

opportunity to sell yields that would not have been capable of filling larger orders. For these reasons and more, farmers markets provide a valuable resource and contribute to a sustainable food system. Extension programs are open to all persons without regard to race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, or national origin.

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Rummage sale for our furry friends



Ben Moser, Margo Darcangelo, Lisa Hannaford

By HANNA FOX

rummage sale were donated to them by many kind hearted people.

In the Humane Society they keep a small staff so they can spend more money on the pets than on staff. They have 7 people on staff and there are around 300 volunteers.

If you want to donate call the Humane Society at (352) 796-2711.

The Humane Society this past week was raising money to feed and house their animals. A hundred percent of the donations go to the animals at the Humane Society. The conductor of the rummage sale was Lisa Hannaford and with her were six other volunteers. All the goods at the

Easter Sunday Services Throughout the County

Easter Sunrise Service, Linda Pedersen Park 6300 Shoal Line Blvd, Hernando Beach, at 7:15 AM.

Crosspoint Church, Challenger K8 School, 13400 Elgin Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34609. 9:30 & 11 AM.

Northcliffe Baptist Church, 10515 Northcliffe Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34608. 9AM & 10:30 AM.

Grace World Outreach Church 20366 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville, FL 34601. 9 & 11 AM.

Christian Church in the Wildwood, 10051 Country Road, Weeki Wachee, FL 34613. 8AM, 9:30, & 11:15 AM.

Faith Presbyterian Church, 200 Mount Fair Avenue, Brooksville, Florida, 34601. Sunrise Service 7AM Lawn, 10:30 AM Sanctuary.

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 5030 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34609. Sunday Mass 5:45 AM, 7:15 AM, 9 AM, 9:05 AM. Xavier Hall 11:00 AM, 11:05 AM. Xavier Hall 12:45 PM, 5:30 PM.

Family First Assembly, 12435 Spring Hill Drive Spring Hill, Florida 34609. 7:30 AM Sunrise Service, 10:30 AM Celebration Service.

Brooksville Wesleyan Church, 22319 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville, FL 34601. 9:15 AM, 10:50 AM.



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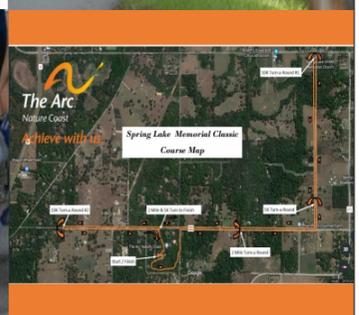
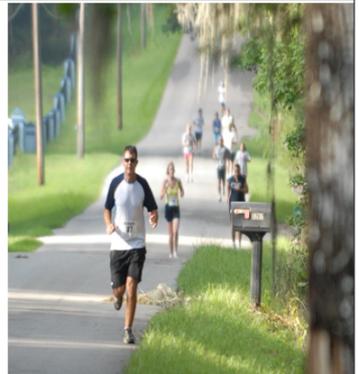
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Pasco-Hernando State College (PHSC), CareerSource Pasco Hernando, the Hernando Chamber of Commerce, and Hernando County Office of Economic Development will host Opportunity 2018 – Hernando Job and Internship Fair on Thursday, April 5, 2018 from 9 a.m. to noon. The event will be held at the PHSC Spring Hill Campus, 450 Beverly Ct. Representatives from local employers and agencies will be on-hand to meet attendees. Job seekers are encouraged to bring plenty of résumés and must register at jobfairphscSH2018.eventbrite.com. A pre-event Résumé Workshop will be held on Wednesday, April 4 from 2-3 p.m. at no cost to attendees. Registration is not required. The job and internship fair is open to all job seekers looking for full-time, part-time, and internship positions. For more event information, contact Breanna Perry, coordinator of career services, at 352-797-5174, or email to careerservices@phsc.edu.

OUTDOORS



BIRDING TRIP TO JAY B. STARKEY WILDERNESS PARK

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018 8 AM TO 11 AM

Join us on this birding trip to the Wilderness Park. We will walk about two miles on trails looking for resident birds and early spring migrants. To carpool from Hernando County at 7 a.m., meet at Denny's Restaurant, 1445 Wendy Court (at US-19), Spring Hill. For more information: text 352-428-2629 or email lindalark85@gmail.com.
J.B. Starkey is located at 10500 Wilderness Park Blvd., New Port Richey

FROM OUR TABLE TO YOURS by Cheryl Clanton

Homemade Scalloped Cheese Potatoes

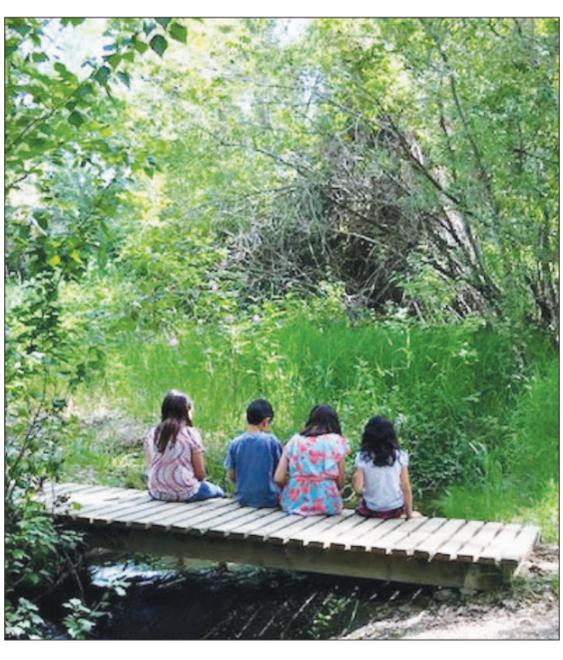


Ingredients
2 Cups 8oz. Shredded sharp cheddar cheese or your choice of shredded cheese. 1/4 Cup real butter
4 lbs. Peeled and thinly sliced potatoes
2 cans 10 3/4 oz. condensed cream of mushroom soup

pan
Layer half of mixture in pan, dot with half of the butter and sprinkle with half the cheese.
Repeat layers
Bake uncovered at 350 for about 55-70 minutes or potatoes are to your tenderness.

Directions
Combined in large bowl, potatoes and soup.
Grease 13in. x 9in. x 2in.

Hint: serve with String-beans and Pork Chops



CHILDREN'S NATURE EXPLORATION PROGRAM (AGES 5-8)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2018 10:30 AM TO 11:30 AM

Join us at Chinsegut the first Wednesday of each month for our Nature Exploration program for ages 5-8. Programs are free, pre-registration preferred. Call (352)754-6722 to register / Gina.Philhower@MyFWC.com Looking at Leaves: Children will practice their observation skills by looking at leaves. This class also includes a leaf printing craft. Meets standards (Kindergarten & 1st Grade):
Chinsegut Conservation Center is located at 23212 Lake Lindsey Rd Brooksville,

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COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018 10 AM TO 1 PM

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2301 Deltona Blvd., Spring Hill, FL
St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 2301 Deltona Blvd, Spring Hill will host a Community Health Fair on Saturday, April 14 from 10 am to 1 pm. This free event will feature local health, wellness, and life event services. For information, contact Debbie Smith at mgr.standrews@gmail.com or call the church at 352.683.2010. Visit Website: <http://standrewschurch.dioswfl.org/>

THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018 STAGE WEST COMMUNITY THEATRE

An evening of empowerment, support, and awareness to lift up women. Written by Eve Ensler, the show is based on interviews of many women across the world. Local performers will perform these amazing monologues. Hear stories of life experiences performed by local women and laugh, blush, cry, unite, and stand proud. This is a provocative show and adults only, please. Content can be viewed in advance online. Please wear your best Teal in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Funds raised will support services through the Dawn Center's domestic and sexual violence programs. Doors open at 6 pm, show starts at 6:30pm. Light refreshments and dessert provided. Contact 352-684-7191.

Hop n' Glow 2018

5th Annual



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Calendar of Events

March 31

Hernando Bar 5K 10K

WHEN: Saturday, March 31, 8am – 2pm
 WHERE: Weeki Wachee Preserve 2345 Osowaw Blvd, Spring Hill, Florida 34607 (map)
 Description: Come out to enjoy one of Hernando County's most beautiful nature preserves on a nature trail while supporting a great cause. Chip Timing and one of the least expensive events around, thanks to our sponsors. Signature shirts for pre-registered 5K and 10K runners and volunteers. Awards for M/F Open and Masters, and Medals in 5 year age groups. Special awards this year for Cross Country/Track team members. Free one mile fun run on a paved trail.
 Be a sponsor for this event that guarantees scholarships for Hernando County Students. Call 352-606-0141 or email HernandoBar5K@aol.com for more information on sponsorship levels and volunteer opportunities.

For ticket information: <https://www.active.com/spring-hill-fl/running/distance-running-races/hernando-bar-5k-10k-3-31-18-2018>

Croom 50M/50K/15M Fools Run

WHEN: Saturday, March 31, 2018 6am – 7pm
 WHERE: Croom Trails, 3021 Commercial Way,
 Description: The Croom Fools Runs course winds through oak hammocks on a well-defined trail that takes runners through some of the best terrains in Florida. The Forest Service has set the race field at 300 runners so register early to ensure a slot. There are 3 races that are part of the Fools Run Races - 50 Mile Fools Run, 50K I'm Not A Fool Run, and John Holmes 16 Mile Run. The main running trail is a 16 Mile loop. The 50 Mile race does 3 loops, the 50K does 2 loops, and the 16 Mile does 1 loop. 3 water stops/aid stations along the loop and 16 Mile runners will have 3 water stops. 50 Mile runners with 3 loops will have 12 water stops/aid stations and. 50K runners with 2 loops will have 8 water stops/aid stations. Start times: 6:00 am - 50 Mile, 7:00 am - 50K / 16 Mile

April 2

Florida Master Naturalist Coastal Restoration Course

WHEN: April 2, 2018 through April 4, 2018 8:30 am to 5:30 pm
 WHERE: UF/IFAS Extension Hernando County, 16110 Aviation Loop Drive Brooksville, Florida 34604.
 Description: The new Coastal Shoreline Restoration module is now being offered at the UF/IFAS Extension Hernando County Office. This course focuses on living shoreline restoration and is intended to improve participants' understanding of the science and application of living shorelines. It includes foundational training on the ecology, benefits, methods, and monitoring

techniques for restoring oyster reefs, mangroves, and salt marshes. Graduates of this course will be better prepared to promote and assist with restoration projects. Registration Fee: \$155 - \$175. To register <http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/fmnp/CR18-02.html>. For more details, contact Florida Sea Grant Agent Brittany Hall-Scharf: 352-754-4433 or bhallscharf@ufl.edu

April 6

Friday Night Done Right - Kickball Tournament

WHEN: Friday, April 6, 2018 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
 WHERE: Hernando County YMCA, 1300 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill, Florida 34609
 Description: It could be dodgeball, kickball, flag football or a glow-in-the-dark sports night, but whatever the first Friday of the month is, it's Friday Night Done Right including prizes, giveaways and snacks. Since most Hernando County teens - 74 percent - don't drink alcohol when hanging out with friends, you can be sure this will be a safe environment to hang out and have fun. A free event for middle school and high school students, grades 6-12. Open to the community.

The Vagina Monologues

WHEN: Friday, April 6, 2018
 WHERE: Stage West Theatre,
 An evening of empowerment, support, and awareness to lift up women. This is a show written by Eve Ensler based on interviews of many women across the world. Local performers will perform these amazing monologues. You will hear stories of life experiences performed by local women. They will make you laugh, blush, cry, unite, and stand proud. This is a provocative show and adults only, please. Content can be viewed in advance online. Please wear your best Teal in support of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The funds raised will go to provide survivors in Hernando County support services through Dawn Center's domestic and sexual violence programs. Doors open at 6:00pm show starts at 6:30pm. Light refreshments and dessert provided. Contact Dawn Center for more details. 352-684-7191

April 7

Spring Plant Sale

WHEN: Saturday, April 7, 2018, 9AM – 2PM
 WHERE: Nature Coast Botanical Gardens, 1489 Parker Avenue, Spring Hill, FL 34606I

Description: It's Spring Spruce-up time for your home and yard with beautiful plants! The Spring Hill Garden Club invites you to the annual spring sale, where you can purchase many varieties of plants at budget-friendly prices. Plants grown at the Gardens will be for sale on both Friday and Saturday. The Gardens is also open daily to visitors. Free; open to the public. Contact naturecoastgardenssh@gmail.com / phone 352-683-9933 or visit www.naturecoastgardens.com.

3rd Annual Kids' Fishing Clinic

WHEN: Saturday, April 7, 2018 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 WHERE: Linda Pedersen Park, 6300 Shoal Line Boulevard in Hernando Beach.
 Description: The Weeki Wachee Anglers, Inc., a family-oriented fishing and social club, in partnership with Hernando County Parks and Recreation, will host the 3rd Annual Kids' Fishing Clinic. This is a free, one-day clinic sponsored by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to educate kids from ages 5 to 15 about the vulnerability of Florida's marine ecosystems as well as to teach fundamental saltwater fishing skills with the goal of making these children responsible marine resource stewards. Preregistration is recommended. Visit http://www.hernandocounty.us/park_rec to complete the application. As a reminder, only children ages 5 to 15 are eligible for this clinic and they must be accompanied by an adult.
 "Every child will be required to go through five hands-on learning stations (for example, knot tying and casting) to be eligible for a free rod and reel. They will then have an opportunity to try out their skills in a catch, photo and release event. Entertainment, food and information on fishing in Florida waters will be provided at no cost to participants. For further information, call Marv at (906) 458-1486."

Temple Beth David Art Show

13158 Antelope St. Spring Hill is hosting their 3rd annual Nature Coast Art Show Saturday, April 7 and Sunday, 8. Artist's reception from 5pm - 8pm on Saturday. Refreshments and conversations with the artists. Previewing and purchasing available. Show and sale on Sunday, April 8 from 10am-5pm. Admission free to the public. Food, a silent auction, and original artworks by emerging and professional artists from Florida's Nature Coast. Contact 352-686-7034.

April 14

Community Health Fair

WHEN: Saturday, April 14, 2018 10 am to 1 pm
 WHERE: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2301 Deltona Blvd., Spring Hill, FL



Springleton Fun Park's Easter Eggstravaganza

WHEN: Sat/Sunday, March 31, 2018 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
 WHERE: 9227 County Line Road, Spring Hill.
 Description: Join Our 2nd Annual Free Easter Egg Hunt !!! First Hunt will be at 1pm Second will be at 3pm!!!! We will have over 2,000 Eggs spread throughout the property !!!! Easter Bunny available for photo opportunities, a petting zoo and normal operation for our Go Carts, Mini Golf ,Bounce House and more.

Buccaneer Bay Water Egg Hunt

WHEN: Saturday, March 31, 2018 at 11:00-14:30
 WHERE: Weeki Wachee Springs, 6131 Commercial Way Weeki Wachee, Florida 34606
 The annual egg hunt at Buccaneer Bay continues this year on Saturday, March 31. Age group and times as follows. Ages 0-3 11 AM (Kiddie Pool); Ages 4-6 12 PM (Kiddie Pool); Ages 7-10 1 PM (Beach); Ages 11-13 2 PM (Beach) Don't forget to bring your own basket and swim suit! The event is included in the price of admission. Call (352) 592-5656 for more information.

5th annual Hop n Glow

WHEN: March 31, 2018 17:30-21:00 p.m.
 WHERE: Anderson Snow Sports Complex anderson snow road, Spring Hill, Florida 34609
 Description: The Greater Hernando County Chamber Young Professionals and C.E.T.A. invite you to Hop n Glow 2018. This black light and glow-in-the-dark themed, family fun evening event offers a Bunny Hop Dance Floor, 6 Age Defined Egg Hunts (starting at 6 pm), black light face painting, Bunny Appearance, and so much more! Proceeds benefit Education and Training grants and programs throughout Hernando County, including the grade schools! Tickets available at hernandochamber.com.

Really Big Easter Party

WHEN: Saturday, March 31, 2018 10 a.m. to 12 noon
 WHERE: Northcliffe Baptist Church, Northcliffe Blvd.,
 Description: Come out and enjoy a FREE morning of Easter Egg Hunts (toddlers - 5th grade), food, bounce houses, popcorn, snowcones, and much more!
 This event is free for the entire family! Visit northcliffeonline.org for more information and tickets.

Description: St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 2301 Deltona Blvd, Spring Hill will host a Community Health Fair on Saturday, April 14 from 10 am to 1 pm. This free event will feature local health, wellness, and life event services. For information, contact Debbie Smith at mgr.standrews@gmail.com or call the church at 352.683.2010. Visit Website: <http://standrewschurch.dioswfl.org/>

Hernando County Fair and Youth Livestock Show

WHEN: Saturday, April 14, 12pm – Sun, April 20, 10pm
 WHERE: Hernando County Fairgrounds 6436 Broad Street (US-41S) Brooksville, FL 34601 (map)
 Description: Blue ribbons, competitions, games, food, midway and more. Live musical entertainment and Demolition Derby -- don't miss the annual Hernando County Fair. 352-796-4552/hernandofairgrounds.com

May 16

Annual Community Health and Wellness Fair

WHEN: Wednesday, 16 May, 2018 at 9:00-12:00
 WHERE: YMCA 1300 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill, Florida 34609
 Description: Join us for our 11th Annual Health and Wellness Fair. MORE THAN 30 HEALTH EXPERTS share resources and information. Complete your passport of health with our local health care professionals, health screenings and information, healthy snacks, chair massages and more! Free event to attend. Open to the Community. For vendor registration information, contact the Y.

April 28

Brooksville Elks Lodge 2582 Summer Kickoff Gala

WHEN: Saturday, April 28, 2018
 WHERE: Brooksville Elks Lodge, 13383 County Line Road, Spring Hill.
 Description: A "Come as you are" outback concert at the lodge with live music by the Pauly G Band. Hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad and Suzanne's baked beans. \$7 per person. Bring a chair to sit around the bonfire. 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. social hour and food (cooked to order). 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. music, dancing and bonfire. Everybody welcome. Call 352.799.7148 for tickets and more details.

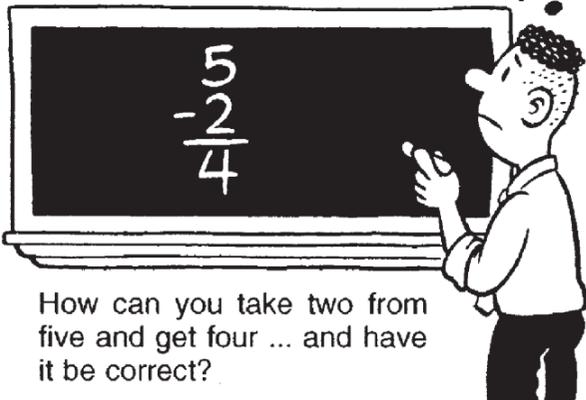
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God's Not Dead: A Light in Darkness (PG)	Daily except Thurs: 1:15PM, 4:15PM, 7:25PM, 10:00PM
I Can Only Imagine (PG)	Daily except Thurs: 1:30PM, 4:15PM, 7:10PM, 9:45PM
Love, Simon (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 1:10PM, 4:10PM, 6:50PM, 9:30PM
Midnight Sun (PG13)	Fri, Sat, Tues: 2:00PM, 7:30PM. Sun: 9:45PM. Mon: 2:00PM. Wed: 1:45PM
Pacific Rim Uprising (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 1:20PM, 4:20PM, 7:15PM, 9:55PM
Paul, Apostle Of Christ (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 1:45PM, 4:30PM, 7:05PM, 9:55PM
Ready Player One (PG13)	Fri, Sat, Tues, Wed: 1:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM, 9:45PM. Sun: 3:15PM. Mon: 1:00PM, 3:15PM, 6:30PM, 7:00PM
Ready Player One 3D (PG13)	Daily except Sun, Thurs: 9:45PM. Sun: 1:00PM
Ready Player One GTX (PG13)	Daily except Mon: 12:30PM, 3:45PM, 7:00PM, 10:15PM. Mon: 12:30PM, 3:45PM, 10:15PM
Sherlock Gnomes (PG)	Daily except Thurs: 12:45PM, 4:40PM, 7:30PM, 9:45PM
Tomb Raider (PG13)	Daily except Thurs: 12:45PM, 4:00PM, 7:00PM, 10:00PM
Tyler Perry's Acrimony (R)	Daily except Thurs: 1:00PM, 4:00PM, 7:15PM, 10:00PM
Unsane (R)	Fri, Sat, Tues: 4:30PM, 9:45PM. Sun: 4:30PM. Mon: 4:30PM, 10:10PM. Wed: 9:45PM

PUZZLE CARD



Answer: Take the word "FIVE" and remove "2" of the letters, "F" and "E." You now have "IV," which, in Roman numerals, equals "4." You see, five minus two does equal four. Any questions?

A "RIDDLE" BY LEWIS CARROLL!

To know the answer, find the one "character" that is missing from the poem.

DREAMING OF APPLES ON A WALL,
 AND DREAMING OFTEN, DEAR,
 I DREAMED THAT, IF I COUNTED ALL,
 HOW MANY WOULD APPEAR?

Answer: A space in the second line: "And dreaming of ten, dear." Ten apples.

DON'T GO "BALD" TRYING TO SOLVE THIS ONE! At right is a word square. Can you find the four five-letter words that match the definitions below? All words used must read the same both across and down.

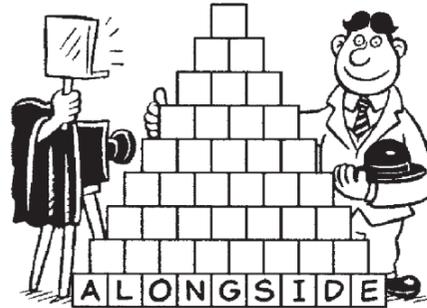
1. Found on U.S. coins (given).
2. Sections set apart.
3. Wheels with teeth.
4. Wormlike form of insects.
5. Short, literary composition.

Answers: 1. Eagle. 2. Areas. Gears. 4. Larva. 5. Essay.

1	E	A	G	L	E
2	A				
3	G				
4	L				
5	E				



THE PYRAMID OF WORD POWER!



Starting with the given word **ALONGSIDE** at the bottom of our word pyramid, try dropping one letter at a time as you work your way up, so that the remaining letters at each level spell out a new word. The following helpful hints are in ascending order.

1. Next to (given).
2. A type of glance.
3. Roman army units.
4. A part of a shoe.
5. Loud, unpleasant sound.
6. Front of an aircraft.
7. A single unit.
8. Position indicator.
9. Element symbol.

Illustrated by David Coulson

Answers: (from the bottom up): Alongside, (sidelong, legions, insole, noise, nose, one, on, oxygen).

SPORTS

Hernando comes up short against Land O' Lakes in Farm Bureau Classic

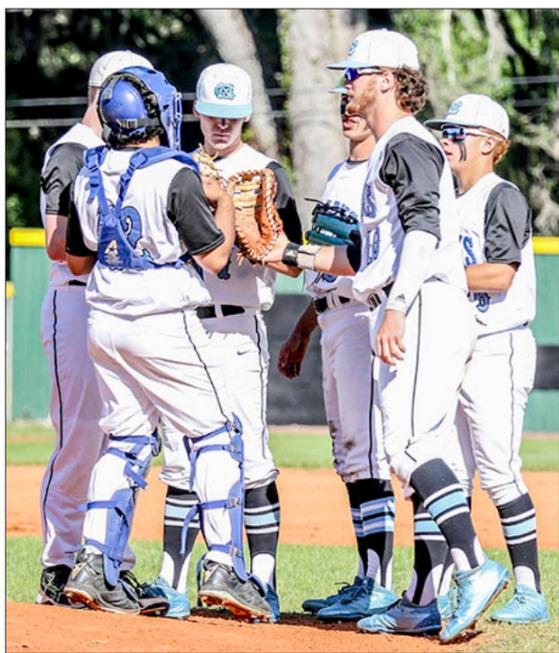
BY ANDY VILLAMARZO
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CHERYL CLANTON

(BROOKSVILLE)- In one of Hernando's best runs in recent memory playing in the annual Farm Bureau Classic tournament, the Leopards were just a win away from taking home the championship trophy on their home field.

The party was upstaged, however, by Land O' Lakes in the title game, as the Leopards ended up falling 9-2 to the Gators last weekend. It was an impressive run through the tournament for the Leopards, as Hernando won its first three games against Zephyrhills (4-3 win), Bushnell South Sumter (9-2 win) and upstart Hudson Fivay (7-6 win). Land O' Lakes pitcher Ryan Ricardo was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

"It was a solid week. We played very well," Hernando coach Tim Sims said. "We pitched the ball pretty darn good. We hit pretty good as well. Our defense kind of let us down in the tournament. You want to win the whole thing, but we were in good shape in that game."

Land O' Lakes ended up being a little bit too much at the end for Hernando, and took the tourney's championship crown. Hernando for the remaining 13 games of the regular



NCT Infield Meeting against Crystal River

season won't have to travel too far from the friendly confines of home, as the Leopards only play on the road five more times. The Leopards enter the second half of the season with a record of 10-3 after defeating Palatka, which is located just south of Jacksonville.

"We had our chances, and in the last two innings we had our letdown," Sims added. "That's the neat thing is the regular season sets up the bracket for the real tournament at the end. We beat a scrappy Palatka group. I like the group I have. If we can play defense and hit well situationally, we can beat anyone."

Springstead is another

Hernando County club fresh out of spring break after playing in the Farm Bureau Classic and got to see several of the Tanya Bay area's top schools. The Eagles opened up against Hudson Fivay, which the Eagles fell 9-0 in the contest. From there the Eagles lost 14-4 to county rival Nature Coast, but did pickup a solid 16-3 victory over Zephyrhills in the final game of the tournament.

Nature Coast (10-2) had a nice run through the tournament, despite starting off on the wrong foot, The Sharks started off the tourney with a surprising 9-7 loss to New Port

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NCT's Henry Fernandez gets the Crystal River runner out at first



NCT Jonathan Gates at bat against Crystal River in Farm Bureau Classic



NCT Zeth Rodriguez



NCT Evan Poole



HHS Preston Black



HHS Kobe Simon looking to steal a base against Land O' Lakes.

Trails of Dust and Mud

PHOTOGRAPHY
by CHERYL CLANTON

Pictured to the right is some of the action from the Nature Coast Trail Blazers' 2018 Haulin' Tail Hare Scrambles located at 27493 Johnston Rd. Dade City, Fl., on March 24 & 25 2018. The off-road event featured bike and quad races from peewees to adults. At the end of the day a Fun Run was held- any rider with the correct gear could ride the same course as the

racers. Sunday morning wan an Easter Egg Hunt held at the peewee race track. A fun time for the whole family. Camping is available at these events, food vending all weekend, you could even bring the family dog which must be on a leash at all times.

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- When completed, all un-shaded (white) squares create a single continuous area.

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SPORTS

LEGENDS

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organizations. Each station, which spanned roughly 15 minutes to give everyone who participated at least one trip around, had a legend demonstrating lessons they learned while they performed at the highest level of competition, not only offering up advice but also listening to the youth players as they talked about what they've experienced so far playing America's pastime.

"It's a great experience for these young kids to get lessons from these legends of the game," deputy mayor of Brooksville Butch Battista said. "We've done this event before and the turnouts have been well-received, so it's great not only for the city, but for these kids. They're the future, and the lessons they learn today will only benefit them in the future."

During the pitching session, former Rays relief pitcher Grant Balfour taught the kids how to finger certain pitches, most notably the four-seam fastball. "The pitcher has control of the game, because he's the one with the ball all the time," Balfour said. "There's all kinds of pitchers; strong pitchers, quick save pitchers, submarine release pitchers, but the most important

thing is this: how can I get strikes called?"

In the infield training session, former Padres pitcher Brian Tollberg taught the youth what he called the "Six F's" of fielding: footwork, fielding, funneling, 2nd footwork, fire, and follow-through. "I used to play the infield before I focused on pitching, and this was my method to be efficient," said Tollberg. "The youth today, they really enjoy these events and we as former players enjoy our time with them."

Out in center field, former Cardinals and Diamondbacks pitcher John Frascatore demonstrated to the kids how to properly field a fly ball. Prior to throwing in each session, Frascatore offered two lessons: first to "run with the balls of your feet because running flat-footed will make the ball bounce, which leads to a greater chance of committing an error" and "always use two hands when you're catching the ball." Frascatore, who has history in the area coaching Nature Coast's baseball team for years, felt nostalgic on the field the event was held on, because it was the same field where his daughter Kaylee perfected her craft. "I used to come here and watch her play and she was amazing. So, to see this next young

group of kids soak up the information we're giving them, that means something to us."

In right field, former Reds pitcher Bronson Arroyo, who grew up not too far from the park and graduated from Hernando High School just down the road, worked with kids in the throwing drill, during which the kids would line up almost like warm-up throws when they first arrive at the field for a game and just throw. Arroyo, who had a good 20-year career in MLB, taught the youth, "Balance is key. You want to throw the ball in a straight line,

from point A to point B, step towards your target, and always be behind the throw."

Arroyo, like Frascatore, reminisced during his time in the event: "I'm a local product, so by participating in an event like this today, it has extra meaning to me, being able to help mold the youth in my hometown with lessons I've had growing up. The MLBPA is incredible, and I'm honored to be here."

Over in the batting cages, former MLB journeyman Randy Ruiz helped kids understand how to



Former Cubs player Butch Benton talks about catching techniques during Sunday's Legends for Youth at Tom Varn Park. Photo by Alice Mary Herden

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High School Sports Schedules

Week - 4/2/2018 thru 4/8/2018

Central High School Bears					
MON	04/02/18	V SOFTBALL	CITRUS PARK CHRISTIAN	HOME	06:00:00 PM
MON	04/02/18	JV BASEBALL	WEEKI WACHEE	HOME	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V SOFTBALL	RIDGEWOOD	HOME	06:30:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V BASEBALL	CYPRESS CREEK	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	JV SOFTBALL	BOOKER T WASHINGTON	AWAY	04:30:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	SEVEN RIVERS CHRISTIAN	HOME	05:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	JV SOFTBALL	BOOKER T WASHINGTON	AWAY	06:30:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	SEVEN RIVERS CHRISTIAN	HOME	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	JV BASEBALL	HERNANDO	AWAY	04:00:00 PM
FRI	04/09/18	V BASEBALL	HERNANDO	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
Hernando High School Leopards					
TUES	04/03/18	JV BASEBALL	CITRUS	HOME	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V SOFTBALL	FIVAY	HOME	06:30:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V BASEBALL	GULF	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	JV BASEBALL	SOUTH SUMTER	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	GIRLS V TENNIS	SPRINGSTEAD	HOME	03:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	WEEKI WACHEE	HOME	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	JV BASEBALL	CENTRAL	HOME	04:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V BASEBALL	CENTRAL	HOME	07:00:00 PM
Nature Coast Technical High School Sharks					
MON	04/02/18	JV BASEBALL	CITRUS	HOME	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V BASEBALL	RIDGEWOOD	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V SOFTBALL	GULF	HOME	07:00:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	BOYS V TENNIS	WIREGRASS RANCH	AWAY	03:15:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	JV BASEBALL	SPRINGSTEAD	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	SPRINGSTEAD	HOME	07:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V BASEBALL	WEEKI WACHEE	HOME	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V SOFTBALL	HUDSON	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V BASEBALL	GULF	HOME	07:00:00 PM
F. W. Springstead High School Eagles					
MON	04/02/18	JV BASEBALL	CRYSTAL RIVER	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	GIRLS V TENNIS	LECANTO	HOME	04:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V SOFTBALL	DUNNELLON	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V BASEBALL	WEEKI WACHEE	HOME	07:00:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	JV BASEBALL	NATURE COAST	HOME	06:00:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	V SOFTBALL	PALM HARBOR UNIVERSITY	HOME	07:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	GIRLS V TENNIS	HERNANDO	AWAY	03:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V BASEBALL	LECANTO	AWAY	06:30:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	NATURE COAST	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	GIRLS V TENNIS	LECANTO	AWAY	04:00:00 PM
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MON	04/02/18	JV BASEBALL	CENTRAL	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	JV SOFTBALL	CRYSTAL RIVER	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V BASEBALL	SPRINGSTEAD	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	V SOFTBALL	CRYSTAL RIVER	AWAY	08:00:00 PM
WED	04/04/18	JV BASEBALL	CRYSTAL RIVER	AWAY	06:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	HERNANDO	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V BASEBALL	NATURE COAST	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V BASEBALL	CRYSTAL RIVER	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V SOFTBALL	LECANTO	AWAY	07:00:00 PM
Hernando Christian Academy Lions					
MON	04/02/18	BOYS V TENNIS	PASCO	HOME	03:00:00 PM
TUES	04/03/18	JV BASEBALL	REAL LIFE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	HOME	04:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V BASEBALL	CAMBRIDGE CHRISTIAN	AWAY	04:00:00 PM
THURS	04/05/18	V SOFTBALL	CAMBRIDGE CHRISTIAN	HOME	04:00:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V BASEBALL	LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN	HOME	04:30:00 PM
FRI	04/06/18	V SOFTBALL	LAKESIDE CHRISTIAN	HOME	04:30:00 PM



Former Tampa Bay Rays relief pitcher Grant Balfour taught pitching techniques at Tom Varn Park on Sunday during the Legends for Youth baseball clinic. Photo by Alice Mary Herden

FARM BUREAU

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Richey River Ridge before bouncing back and picking up wins over Springstead and Crystal River (5-2 win). The Sharks are apart of a tough Class 5A, District 7 that includes Hernando and Hudson Fivay club that is currently 11-5 on the season. The race to claim the top seed in the district will likely come down to the three teams down the stretch. Weeki Wachee (6-5) and Central (5-5) both also

took part in the Farm Bureau Classic and were able to pickup a win apiece. The Hornets started off play with a 5-1 victory over Land O' Lakes Sunlake before losing 4-0 to eventual tourney champion Land O' Lakes. The Bears had a little bit different journey through the tournament, losing 13-10 to Inverness Citrus and defeating Lecanto 11-4 in their second game.

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HHS First Baseman Anthony Urso.

Hernando Sportsmans Club Events Calendar

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Friday	Saturday
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SPORTS

Springstead has several standouts at FSU Relays

BY ANDY VILLAMARZO
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

With baseball and softball reigning supreme around the area, track and field is another sport that produces several standouts throughout Hernando County annually.

While softball and baseball are performing, the Eagles' boys and girls track & field teams have done an exceptional job this spring as well. Springstead made the long trip up to northern Florida and made their way up to Tallahassee last weekend to represent the school at the FSU Relays.

"The girls did well, but we are younger than young," Springstead coach Joel Myers said. "We have four freshmen in the 4x400. Our freshman in the discus placed fourth. I thought the kids did very well. Work hard and compete. That's what I'm telling them. We have a chance to send some of these kids to states. These kids have worked real hard."

Amongst the following had standout performances for Springstead on the day, including Lily Schultze (set personal record in 1600 meter run), Jacy Scharlow (placed 3rd in high jump) and Kyle Manuel, who finished fifth in the discus event and won first place in the shot put.

"Jacy Scharlow has a chance a great chance (of reaching states). She was a state runner-up last year," Myers said. (Tallia



Springstead Track team recently participated in the FSU Relays. Photo courtesy of Springstead Athletics

Russell) in the discus has a good chance and she's ranked third in the region. Kylie Kannar in the 800 and she's ranked up there in the region. She's gonna run up at the University of Florida meet coming up. (Charlize) Soares in the triple and she's ranked fifth in the region. My 4x800 team has a chance but they're all freshmen but I'm pleased with them."

Myers spoke about how the trip was a fun experience for the track

team, seeing that many of the underclassmen had never really experienced college-like meets. With several promising freshmen currently on the team, Myers believes the Eagles will be very good in the near future.

"It was a fun trip," Myers added. "We got up there on Thursday but we stayed and watched some of the college races and the kids had a good time. It was just nice to get them on a college

campus and exposed to these kind of things. Two or three years down the road we could be really good. I just have a really good group of hard working kids."

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properly square up and bunt while also showing them how to swing for the fences. Ruiz also used a quote from a previously forgotten baseball-themed movie when talking about footwork: "Your balance is the ultimate key to success when swinging. If you can get your feet set right, then you can hit anything within reach."

In the baserunning section, former Cardinals pitcher Kevin Ohme, who owns a rare distinction of having a perfect 1.000 batting average, demonstrated proper techniques when running the base paths: "You must always finish running through the bag. On bang-bang plays, try and avoid touching the front of the bag, because sometimes umpires can't see you touch it, and a play that would be safe instead is called out. Also, when running through the bag, make sure to look to the right of the bag in case the ball is loose."

Ohme also offered the youth this lesson about running: "You can have a bad day hitting the ball, fielding the ball, throwing the ball, or a combination of these. What you can never have a bad day doing is running."

In the catching session, former Mets and Cubs catcher Alfred "Butch" Benton initially confused the players with his first quote: "We don't catch the ball, we receive the ball." After this, he would demonstrate what he meant by showing the campers that a smooth pull of the ball after catching it in the glove is called "receiving the ball. Coming in fast is catching."



Blue Jay's Randy Ruiz shares hitting tips during the Legends for Youth Clinic on Sunday at Tom Varn Park in Brooksville. Photo by Alice Mary Herden

At the end of the event, prior to each kid receiving a signed baseball by the legends, every player received a great life lesson from Benton: "Are you willing to do what it takes to succeed?" The answer was a resounding yes, and that was music to the legend's ears.

For former Cubs pitcher Mike Walker, who grew up in Brooksville and played for Coach Chatman at Hernando High, said "It's an awesome thing to come back home and give the next young group of athletes' lessons from when we played. The MLBPA does a fantastic job with hosting, and we as former athletes are honored to come out and give these kids a fun time. Some of these kids won't commit to baseball, which is great. But to have this experience, which most of us didn't have when we were their age, is special, and I hope everyone who participated had as much fun as we legends did." Walker now has the job of managing Tom Varn Park as Director of Brooksville's Park and Recreation

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King Crossword

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- 18 Long story
- 19 Japanese sash
- 20 Trade
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- 32 Downright
- 33 Wouldn't shut up
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- 42 Shelter
- 44 Arp's style
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- 7 Tooth decay
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- 31 Away from WSW
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- 36 Slim and trim
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- 41 "Beetle Bailey" dog
- 43 Sunrise site
- 45 Wheelbase terminus
- 46 Birth certificate info
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BELOW: Director of Brooksville Parks and Recreation Dept. and former Cubs baseball player Mike Walker demonstrates throwing techniques with a participant during the Legends for Youth Clinic at Tom Varn Park on Sunday. Photo by Alice Mary Herden



Former St. Louis Cardinal Player Kevin Ohme taught first base techniques at Tom Varn Park on Sunday during the Legends for Youth baseball clinic. Photo by Alice Mary Herden

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**Jesus Came to Heal
the Brokenhearted**

by HEATHER FRANCIS,
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*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon
me, because He hath anointed me
to preach the gospel to the poor;
He hath sent me to heal the broken-
hearted..." (Luke 4:18 KJV)*

How do you heal a broken heart?
Most people don't know what to
say to someone who is grieving.

Some think silence is best so that
they don't say the wrong thing.

Others say things that they are
taught to say, such as "I'm sorry to
hear that", or "I send my con-
dolences."

But how does one's heart truly
get healed? It only comes by the
Word of the Lord.

God quickens and renews us by
the Living Word, through and by
Jesus himself, who came to heal
the brokenhearted through His
payment of His own blood on the
Cross.

Our lives would totally be
broken if Jesus had not put His
own life on the line and took our
own place for our sins. Our lives
would never be good if Jesus had
not done that.

He was crucified so that we
could have a better life. So that
we ultimately could be free of any
brokenness in our lives.

What is broke in your life?
Your marriage? Your job? Your
relationships with your kids or a
family member? What about your
finances? Are you broke?

What about a broken dream that
you once had as kid that you have
long buried many years ago?

What about your desire to live?
Is that broke? The list goes on...

Jesus came to heal all types
of brokenness. It is endless what
could be broken in people's lives.

But the good news is that Jesus
came to heal that broken heart, so
that it doesn't have to stay broken.

By faith, receive God's promise
that your heart and life will be
healed.

Whatever the case may be in
your life, God is the Ultimate
Great Healer and Physician. He
can fix anything in your life and
make it new again so that it is
better than it ever was before.

Today, choose to believe and
trust that God will do exactly that.
You don't have to figure it all out
how He will do that. Let God do
His job and let Him be the one to
figure it all out. Not you.

Your job is to just believe God,
to trust Him that He will do what
He promised in His Word and by
His Word.

Believe God to heal your broken
heart.

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**It's Spring ...let the
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CML Garden Center in Brooksville offers everything the keen gardener needs and more.

BY SUE QUIGLEY
HERNANDO SUN STAFF

As winter fades and Spring is at our doorstep, our thoughts turn toward horticultural matters. It's the time we think about new growth, renewal and creativity in our gardens.

Whether it's an impulsive purchase of a hanging basket at your local supermarket or a carefully chosen tree or shrub ordered online, buying plants for the garden can be a hit and miss affair unless you do some homework on your local garden center.

"Spring is a very busy time of the year for us," said James and Elizabeth Ellis, owners of the new CML Garden Center in Brooksville. "It's that time of year when everyone wants to clear the garden of winter debris and plant afresh."

The couple bought the property on Broad Street in November 2017 for their Capital Maintenance and Landscaping business and planned to develop the land behind for a garden center — something that James had always wanted to do.

"The property was perfect for both businesses," said James, who has over 20 years of specialist landscaping and irrigation experience.

"We knew we wanted to buy it to develop a full service garden center," said Elizabeth. "but the property was so overgrown and with piles of debris scattered all over that we knew we had a lot of hard work to do first," she said.

Ed Ritter, a longtime associate in the Capital Maintenance and Landscaping business and who helped repurpose the main building, remembers when the land began to be cleared.

"It sure was a lot of work and

just as we thought it was almost finished, seven boats were discovered buried under mountains of overgrown brush," he said. "That was totally unexpected."

But all their hard work has paid off and this leafy pocket of property north of Brooksville has now been transformed into a pleasant 2.5 acre garden center shaded by huge oak trees. Customers can meander around beautifully laid out gardens, packed with beds of flowering annuals, shrubs, palm trees, bougainvillea, azaleas, stone-ware fountains and everything a keen gardener needs in Spring-time.

"We celebrated our grand opening on March 10, 2018 with special guests from WWJB, a barbecue and lots of prizes," said Tia Wylupek, an associate in the garden center. "We had lots of visitors and customers, some from as far away as Floral City and Inverness," she said.

According to a recent National Gardening Survey, baseball may be our nation's unofficial pastime but gardening is rapidly taking over. The survey shows that the average American household spends \$407 on



The front entrance to the CML Garden Center located on Broad Street in Brooksville.

garden activities per year and that garden centers are the most popular way of buying plants.

There's a lot to be said for visiting your local garden center. The sign of a good garden center lies in attractive displays and the quality of its offerings. At CML, each display of plants is organized, clearly labelled and priced so customers can pick and choose the best of the bunch to suit their garden. But, more importantly, it's also possible to take full advantage of the valuable expertise on hand by CML staff to advise on the

care and maintenance of your plants.

"We enjoy it when a customer asks us where a certain plant is or when to plant it and how to look after it, added Tia.

CML is a family business in every sense of the word. James and Elizabeth's two sons, Brad and Jeff, are also actively involved in the garden center and the pair can be seen working on the property planting, trimming and accompanying customers to give advice on the types of

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Variety of plants located on one of the trails throughout the property.

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Strawberry Season at JG Ranch...



A perfect strawberry at JG Ranch in Brooksville. Photos by ALICE MARY HERDEN

Strawberry season is still fresh and ready for picking at JG Ranch in Brooksville. For just \$3.50 a bucket, you can choose from 5 great tasting strawberries.

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- Florida Beauty
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- Strawberry Festival

The season ends in April, so drive on over to JG Ranch to get your bucket full of great tasting Strawberries. JG Ranch is located at 17200 Wiscon Rd., Brooksville, FL 34601, (352) 799-0556

**If you have an awesome strawberry recipe to share, send it to editor@hermandosun.com*



Strawberry field at JG Ranch in Brooksville.



Brad Ellis tending to plants at his parents' garden center in Brooksville.

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plants, trees and shrubs available.

There's also lots of bargains to be had too and beginner gardeners should look for any "specials" on sale.

"We like to display the specials we have right out front where customers can see them as soon as they arrive," said Tia.

Buying at a garden center offers lots of pluses apart from making your own selections. It's possible to try out different plant and color combinations right there and then, and buy at a time to suit you for getting them home and planted.

The Ellis family believes you have to give to receive and has become active in the Brooksville communi-

ty. James recently donated a palm tree for auction to support Hernando High School Leopard's Quarter Back club and also provided two fox tail palms to Brooksville First United Methodist Church for Palm Sunday.

The CML garden center not only services the local Brooksville community but also surrounding areas including Weeki Wachee, Spring Hill, Bushnell, and Inverness. They can also fulfill special requests for trees and shrubs.

So, whether you want advice on planting a butterfly garden, need a landscaping makeover, or want to install or repair your irrigation system, the professionals at CML can make it happen.

CML Garden Center can be reached at (352) 777-4528.



Finished flag mural on back of memorial wall

MEMORIAL from Page 1

approached Isabella Anzalone, the manager of the rental department there to see if they would give us a break on renting tools to cut the cement. I showed her a picture of our proposed memorial. She said, 'My father was a veteran. We are all in.'

Home Depot ended up supplying a lot of their needs at no charge and even provided employees to help with the work.

"They became a huge corporate sponsor. Without them we couldn't have done it," Thomas remarked.

Soon the project was rolling. Danny Grenville the owner of Concrete Specialists, donated time and machinery for doing the base work.

"Brad Bennett, a High Point resident and a master mason, became our engineer, so to speak. He designed and built the star. Volunteers from the park supplied the labor."

Attached to the star are concrete insignias of the armed services branches: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard. These were donated by a the Donald Duck Pressure Washing Company and painted by members of the High Point Art Club.

After the star was completed the volunteers went to work on building the wall. The committee sold memorial bricks for the wall for \$50 each to raise funds. Each brick has the name of a veteran, his or hers rank and the period of time or war in which the veteran served. The committee sold enough that they added an extension to the top of the wall.

Manny Burtran and Steve Pitcher, electricians who live in High Point, did the lighting and wiring so that the memorial can be lit up at night. Hernando Aluminum donated materials for the aluminum work (rails and chains).

The committee also wanted the memorial area to be handicapped-accessible so they sold 12" x 12" red brick pavers for \$60 to make a walkway. Not all the people whose names are inscribed on the pavers are veterans.

After the wall was finished, someone remarked that the back of the wall was blank, so the Veterans' Memorial Committee approached the High Point Art Club to paint a mural, which the committee accepted. Five art club members spent approximately thirty-six hours working tirelessly on the mural and it was completed in about two weeks.

The Veterans Memorial was dedicated on Veterans Day last year and over five hundred people showed up for the ceremony. But that's

not the end of the story. The committee has additional plans.

"We're getting ready to have anodized aluminum letters go across the top of the wall that say: 'All gave some. Some gave all.' It's going to be lit up at night with red, white and blue lights."

In order to pay for this phase of the project the committee is holding a breakfast on Saturday, April 7. The public is invited to attend. Pancake, sausage & eggs will be served.

The whole Hernando County community, not just High Point, can be proud of this beautiful tribute to our service men and women. Thomas noted with satisfaction a scene he witnessed.

"When I was working on the memorial I'd see a lady standing there with her hand on one of the bricks and she'd be talking to her loved one. We have a beautiful bench so

now people can come and sit and talk."

For more information on purchasing a paver or a brick for the wall extension and for details on the Pancake Breakfast on April 7 call 352-596-2397 or Ray at 352-397-6473.

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From left to right: Annette Harma, Charleen Scime, June Anderson, Jozina Marshall, Eli Constantine



Memorial bricks on pathway leading up to memorial

Official 2018 election mascot selected



Left: Roxie and her mom Dianne Greer

Below: Shirley Anderson, SOE with Roxie



(Submitted by the Hernando County Supervisor of Elections)

Roxie, an adorable rescue pup, was born December 7, 2005 in a litter of about seven pups and was placed for adoption at the Hernando SPCA shelter when she was about 12 weeks old. She is believed to be a mix-breed of Jack Russell and a German Short-Hair Pointer. All we know is she's absolutely precious!

"She was a shy puppy until she was about 18 months old," explained proud mom Dianne Greer.

"Then she began to take on her fun, loving personality."

Even though Roxie is now 12 years old, Greer says "she still runs and acts like a puppy." Greer also noted that, over the years, Roxie had placed in and won several photo con-

tests. However, to become the winner of the Patriotic Pet Contest, Roxie and another contestant named Jade had to endure the back-and-forth of a real nail-biter. The race was so close – a difference of one vote, which appeared to go either way in the wee-seconds after midnight on February 9, 2018 – that the office was forced to hold a run-off, which extended voting for 24 hours. "I enjoyed this Patriotic Pet Contest," Greer said, "because it showed how an election works and how one vote really matters, which I have been telling my six-year-old grandson for years."

"I have taken him to the polls with me to vote for years to teach him that one vote matters," Greer reiterated, "and in this race, it really did!"

"He was so interested in this race, and watched

the progress to the finish," Greer explained, adding that the contest gave her a first-time experience in what it's like to be a campaign manager and the effort you have to put in to rally your friends to vote.

As for her new role as Hernando County's first Patriotic Pet, Greer assures that "Roxie is ready to represent!" She even has a few new patriotic ensembles to wear at her forthcoming outreach events.

"We are so excited with the success of our 1st Patriotic contest," said Hernando County Supervisor of Elections Shirley Anderson. "Through social media, we were able to engage new people with our Facebook page.

Congratulations to our winner Roxie! We are looking forward to having her onboard as our official mascot for the 2018 Election."

K9 Partners for Patriots: Never Walk Alone

Hernando County Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting Coverage by CHERYL CLANTON

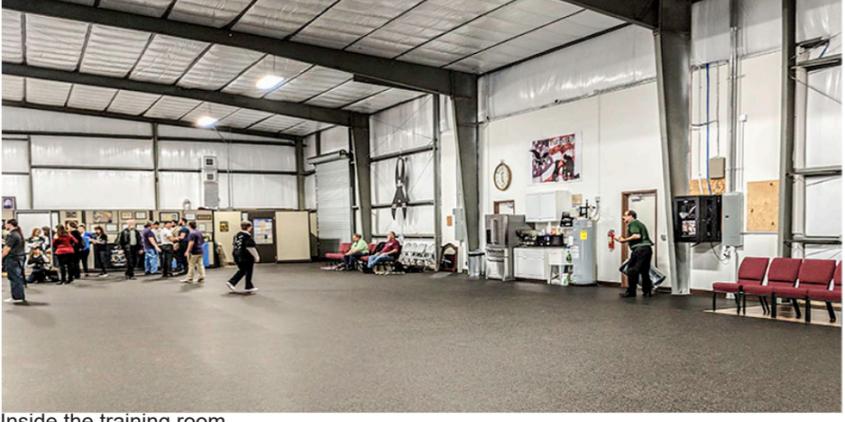
The K9 Partners for Patriots mission is to give veterans and active military at no charge, a second chance at life by honoring and empowering those with PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder), Traumatic Stress Disorder and Military Sexual Trauma through the experience of training and caring for their own service dog.

Founder and CEO Mary Peter is devoted and passionate to help veterans integrate back into a social environment which helps in many aspects of their lives. Jeanne White, in charge of K9 Acquisition, matches the service dogs with the veterans. Jeanne remarked that it melts your heart when a potential service dog is matched with a veteran. The program is a 19 week course. K9 Partners for Patriots provides everything the

veteran needs including the training, dog and all equipment at absolutely no charge. A Premier Open House Event will take place on Saturday March 31 from 12pm to 3pm.
*Go to their website: <https://k9partnersforpatriots.com>
Call: 352-397-5306.
Facebook: K9 Partners for Patriots, Inc.
Address: 15322 Aviation Loop Dr. Brooksville, Fl. 34604*



Above: The K9 Partners for Patriots new facility. Below: Ribbon cutting ceremony.

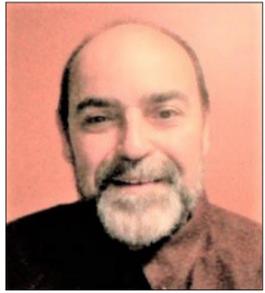


Inside the training room.



Advantages of pet therapy with Dementia

Many caregivers are searching for natural health remedies these days. One treatment I've discovered that takes the edge off the anxiety of those living with dementia is a loveable pet. When I was caring for my dad there were times where he became saturated with confusion. I would simply place our cat named Kitty on his lap and casually tell him that Kitty was lonesome and in dire need of love and attention. Giving both his hands and his mind something to focus on, his panic seemed to evaporate as soon as the purring commenced. A characteristic of most dementia related diseases is the loss of ambition. Including a pet as part of their environment helps motivate these people with a sense of responsibility and purpose. Many times, I walked into our kitchen and found five bowls of milk



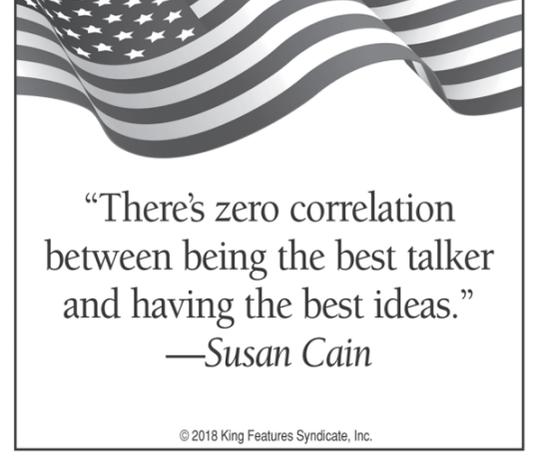
Gary LeBlanc is a health columnist specializing in dementia care. He has authored over 350 articles on the subject and provides local caregiver workshops

on the floor; I never had to worry about our cat starving. Then my father would ask (loudly) if I had fed the cat-- repeatedly. But I soon learned our furry friend made my life easier. Pet ownership has been associated with lowering blood triglyceride levels in the human body. This helps to increase activity and hopefully socialization.

Choosing a dog as a pet may help to encourage physical activities. It may even inspire the patient to play a bit or go for a walk, thus creating a sense of significance. People with dementia are susceptible to loneliness and depression. Having a pet around will help break up the solitude that the forgetfulness creates. Some pets even seem to be sensitive to their owners needs and most of them enjoy attention. They don't get upset and walk away when hearing the same story over and over or hearing constant chatter that makes absolutely no sense. Perhaps they're better listeners or, at the very least, are not so judgmental. The ideal pet is one that is calm and gentle, not hyperactive or loud. Select a new pet with great care. If your loved one has always been afraid of dogs, then obviously a dog is probably

not the answer. Try an aquarium full of fish, a hamster, rabbit or even a bird; any pet that gives them a feeling of being needed. Be watchful. You still have to observe the situation constantly. Innocently, they may overfeed the pet or attempt to walk the dog at inappropriate times, such as late at night. These common occurrences just might leave you facing a spell of anxiety of your own. If you find a pet that decreases a patient's anxiety and leaves him or her feeling calm, you've just accomplished an ample part of your goal. Like any other type of intervention, this might not work for everyone. But I believe it's worth a try. If you have a friend or neighbor that owns a pet, ask them to bring their four-legged friend over for a visit. The results may indeed surprise you.

Americanisms



CALENDARS FOR ENRICHMENT CENTERS

SPRING HILL ENRICHMENT CENTER APRIL CALENDAR; 10441Quality Drive Spring Hill, Florida 34609 Medical Arts Building Suite #105; Located on the campus of Bayfront Health Spring Hill

2 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 9:00-10:00 Chair Exercise 9-11 Share A Craft 9-12 Painting 9-4 SHINE by Appt Only Call 593-0705 12-3:00 Current Events 12:30-4 Canasta- Hand & Foot 1:00-Chewin' the Fat! 1-4:00 Painting	3 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8:30-9:00 Weights & Squats 9:00-9:40 2 mile walk 9:40-10:00 Tai Chi 9-11 Share A Craft 11-12 Social Seniors 11:30-12:30 Blood Pressure checks by Home Instead 1:00-Chewin' the Fat! 1-4:00 Scrabble 1-3 Deaf Services & FREE amplified Phone 6:30-8:30 TLC for Mom's	4 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 9:00-10:00 Chair Exercise 10-2 Vocational Rehab 10-12 Ceramics 10-12 Mah-Jongg Lessons 1-4 Advanced Mah Jongg 1-4:00 Alzheimer's Support 1:00-Chewin' the Fat!	5 8-4 Cards, Board Games & Puzzles 8:30-9:00 Weights & Squats 9:00-9:40 2 mile walk 9:40-10:00 Tai Chi 9-11 Share A Craft 9-4 SHINE by Appt Only Call 593-0705 1:00-Chewin' the Fat! 6:30-8:30 Mom to Mom	6 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 9:00-10:00 Chair Exercise 9-11 Share A Craft 10-11:30 Crochet Classes 10:30 Music with Gale 11-1 National Cremation Society 12:30-4 Mah-Jongg 12:30-4 Advanced Canasta- Hand & Foot 1:00Chewin'theFat 3-6:00 TLC for Mom's
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BROOKSVILLE ENRICHMENT CENTER APRIL CALENDAR; 17222 Hospital Blvd Brooksville, Fl 34601 Medical Arts Building Suite #120 Located; on the campus of Bayfront Health Brooksville; 544.6022

2 Walking in the Courtyard-anytime 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8-12 Crafts 8:30-9:30 Exercise 11-12 Beach Ball Bash 10:00-3:30 Florida Sewing Society 10-12 Diabetic Support 1-4:00 Alzheimer's 7:00 Creative Anachronism-	3 Walking in the Courtyard-anytime 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8-12 Crafts 9-5 SHINE BY APPT 9:30-11 BINGO 10-11:30 Florida Retired Educators Association 10-12 Deaf Services 8-3 Sewing Class 6:30-7:30 Nurse Support	4 Walking in the Courtyard-anytime 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8:30-9:30 Exercise 10-4 AARP_DSP 9-12 Crocheting & Knitting 10:30 Humane Society 11:30-12:30 Blood Pressure by Home Instead 11-1 National Cremation Society 12:30-4 Canasta-Hand & Foot 1-3 Warm Up America -crocheting 1-3 Pencil Sketching 1:00 Music with Gale 6:30-7:30 AA Support Group 7 Toastmasters- Public Speaking	5 Walking in the Courtyard-anytime 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8-12 Crafts 9:30-11 BINGO 8-3 Sewing Class 1-3 Creative Art 5:30 Cognitive Training- 7:30-9:00 AL-Anon	6 Walking in the Courtyard-anytime 8-4 Cards, Games & Puzzles 8-12 Crafts 8:30-9:30 Exercise 9-12 Gourd painting 10-12 Relax thru Coloring 10-1 Quilters with a Cause
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The Quarry Mining Association Enrichment Center APRIL CALENDAR; 800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd; Brooksville

2 9-4 Cards & Board Games 9-4:00 Puzzles 9:30-1:00 VITA FREE Tax Preparation-Call 688-8502 1-3 Creative Art	3 9-4 Cards & Games 9-4 Puzzles 1:00 Alzheimer's Support Group by appointment	4 9-4 Cards & Board Games 9-4:00 Puzzles 11-1 SHINE-appointment only Call 593-0705	5 9-4 Cards & Games 9-4:00 Puzzles 10-4 American Red Cross 12:30-4 Nature Coast Basket Weavers	6 9-4 Cards & Board Games 9-4:00 Puzzles 9:30-1:00 VITA FREE Tax Preparation-Call 688-8502
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Solution to Crossword from page 12:

King Crossword — Answers
Solution time: 24 mins.

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Solution to Sudoku from p 18:

Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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CryptoQuote answer
Committee: A group of the unfit appointed by the unwilling to do the unnecessary.
— Carl C. Byers

(puzzle on page 6)

Beef Quality Assurance: It's Good for Everyone



Multi-county Livestock Agent, Laura Bennett, applying de-wormer which keeps cattle healthier and more productive. This is just one of the many best management practices that improve beef quality.

BY LAURA BENNETT
MULTI-COUNTY
LIVESTOCK AGENT

In a nutshell, Beef Quality Assurance is a national program that raises consumer confidence through offering proper management techniques and a commitment to quality within every segment of the beef industry (BQA.org).

When better quality cows leave the farm and reach the grocery store, the cattleman, packer, and consumer all benefit. If consumers are more confident about the beef they are buying, they are more apt to purchase again.

What makes this difficult is the fact that there are many family-owned cattle producers in our country. There is no

centralized production as there is with other animal agriculture like poultry and pork. There are nearly 1 million U.S. cattle ranchers and nearly 97 percent are family-owned. While this is a plus in many respects, it can come with some drawbacks such as producing a very consistent product.

Many larger-scale beef

producers have already participated in Beef Quality Assurance training and have received their certification. The next level of implementation is getting the smaller producers on board. As more Good Management Practices are implemented, the quality of beef becomes more improved and consistent.

The University of Florida/IFAS Extension has always strived to help people solve problems, develop skills and build a better future. Cattlemen and women in the area can participate in educational events that help them implement management practices that will both improve the quality of cattle they produce and improve their profitability.

Even though you may not be a cattle producer, you can take some comfort (assurance) in knowing that beef cattle producers and the industries that support them are doing all they can to provide a safe, consistent product.

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GREAT OUTDOORS

Weston and the shakes

This past weekend I had so much fun hunting with my youngest grandbaby, Weston, who is now five. For someone so young, he is very serious about hunting and fishing and is such a pleasure to be afield with. He and I had planned out those hunts together for quite some time. We worked on being quiet, how to move slowly and deliberately, spending time on our shooting range and talking about the wild turkey and their habits. I thought that we had covered all I could, to have him prepared enough to be successful. But, there is always that one part of the hunt that I couldn't prepare him for... the shakes!

Most deer hunters are very familiar with the shakes; among them it's called Buck Fever. But, amongst us turkey hunters, we mostly just call it the shakes and when it hits, things can go wrong quickly. What are the shakes? Well, the symptoms only manifest at the last possible minute of the hunt when that old gobbler is in range and it's time to pull the trigger.

When that big old thunder-chicken rolls up on you in full strut, gobbling, spitting and drumming, it causes the heart to race, your pulse to begin throbbing in your temples, your breathing becomes ragged and your muscles tremble uncontrollably. It's every bit, an involuntary response to the closeness of the animal and the culmination of all the many hours of planning. And after all those hours of planning and the moment of truth arrives, the shakes can turn the tables on you and your gobbler will get to live another day.

Well, that's how Weston's hunt ended. That little rascal had spent many hours with me scouting, planning and practicing, but when the gobblers showed up, he just wasn't prepared to take on that level of adrenaline.

Twice in two hours I had trophy quality gobblers in



Toby Benoit is a best selling novelist and professional outdoorsman with thirty-five years of experience guiding and outfitting for big game all across America. Toby is a renowned archer and turkey hunting expert who manufactures custom game calls and is a regular judge at NWTF sanctioned turkey calling events across the Southeast.

from of him and both times I got the thrill of watching the shakes take him over. It was great!

The first gobbler, we'd set up in our ground blind on a far corner of the Richloam WMA, in Lake County. The bird had talked a little from his roost limb and gone quiet as soon as he flew down. I'd call sparingly with little Weston looking up from time to time to ask if I thought the turkey would come in.

It took a good forty-five minutes before Weston's tiny body went completely rigid and seemed to stop breathing. I followed his stare and spotted that big strutter slowly stepping out from behind a cluster of palmetto plants and I hurried to get his momma's Remington 870, in 20 gauge, into his hand. It took him awhile to get the gun to his shoulder as he was shaking like a maple leaf in a high wind, the front bead of that barrel was bouncing figure eights in the air.

That old he-devil of a tom stepped out into the clear only twenty yards away and I whispered to him that when his sights were aligned, to take the shot. Well, he seemed to steady up for half of a second, then snatched back on the trigger as hard as he could with enough force to shift the point of aim about a foot to the left and we watched that old gobbler run off, back into the swamp.

If any of you would like to get out an give old Mister Osceola a try, you're welcome to reach out to me at Toby@HernandoSun.com if you need any info on where to go and how to get it done!



Little Weston Miller poses with a trophy tom. Photos by Toby Benoit

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Rumors of a change in the workplace could make you a mite uneasy about going ahead with implementing your ideas. Best advice: Ignore the talk and proceed as planned.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Everyone has an opinion on how to handle a recent business suggestion. Thank them for their advice. Then go ahead and follow your own fine instincts.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) While home is your main focus this week, new issues in the workplace need your attention as well. Take things step by step. Pressures ease in time for week-end fun.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be less rigid when handling a relationship problem. You might believe you're in the right, but try to open your mind to the possibilities of facts you're currently not aware of.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas run at a hectic pace throughout much of the week. But by the weekend, the Lions' Dens become a purrrfect place for you Fine Felines to relax in.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Change is favored early in the week. This should make it easier for you to reassess your plans for handling a troubling professional relationship. Good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A suggestion from a colleague could give your professional project that long-needed boost. Meanwhile, someone close to you still needs your emotional support.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Before complying with a colleague's request, check to see that the action benefits all, not just one person's agenda. Continue firming up those travel plans.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your social life is on the upswing, and the only problem is deciding which invitations to accept. Enjoy yourself before settling down for some serious work next week.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) With your creative aspects on high, you might want to restart your work on that novel or painting you put aside. Your efforts will bring a surge in your self-esteem.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) While you're generous with others, be sure you're not overlooking your own needs. Take time to assess your situation and make adjustments where necessary.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Being applauded for your achievement is great. But watch out that you don't start acting like a star. It could lose you valuable support with your next project.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your strong belief in justice, along with your leadership qualities, help you protect the rights of others.

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Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice Hide-Away Storage - Spring Hill located at 1000 Commercial Way, Spring Hill FL 34606 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storageauction.com on 4/11/2018 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Christopher Linton unit #0108; Lisa Staples unit #0248; Christian Frekey unit #0250; Susan Freeman unit #0436; John Ellis unit #0450; Bruce Nelson unit #0542; Char Paillares unit #1001; Bernard Griffen unit #2056. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

(03/23/2018), (03/30/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 17DR678
Division: Family Law
Sylvia Griffiths, Petitioner, and Daniel Griffiths, Respondent

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Daniel Griffiths
Respondent's Last Known Address: Unknown

Certified to be a true copy
Don Barbee Jr. Clerk of Courts
By JBT D.C.

This 15 Day of March 2018 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Dissolution of Marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sylvia Griffiths, whose address is 100654 Yellowback Rd Weeki Wachee, FL 34614-0300 on or before 4/26/2018, and file the original with the clerk of this court at 20 N. Main St, Rm 246; Brooksville, Florida 34601, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in this petition. The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the address(es) on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

DATED 3/15/2018.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By /s/ JBT
Deputy Clerk

(03/23/2018), (03/30/2018), (04/6/2018), (04/13/2018)

NOTICE OF THE APRIL 10, 2018 SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Notice is hereby given that the School Board of Hernando County, Florida will hold the following meetings on April 10, 2018 in the School Board Room, 919 S. Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601.

Informal at 11:00 P.M.
Workshop at 2:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the agency at least five (5) days before the meeting by contacting Kelly Pogue at (352) 797-7000. If you are hearing impaired, please contact the agency by calling (352) 797-7202.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the School Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a copy of the official record of the meeting. The official record of any School Board meeting consists of the official minutes approved by the Board including any back-up materials or documents submitted to it and a transcript of the audio and/or visual recording of the meeting if any made and maintained by the District. It is the responsibility of the party requesting a copy of audio/visual recording to have it transcribed for appellate purposes.

Originated by Mark Johnson, Chairperson of The School Board of Hernando County, Florida

By: Lori M. Romano, Ph.D.,
Ex-Officio Secretary and Superintendent of Schools

(03/30/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 17-000876-CPAXMX

In re: The Estate of IRIS MAY FEARN, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of IRIS MAY FEARN, deceased, whose date of death was March 30, 2017, is pending under File No. 17-000876-CPAXMX, (Uniform Case No. 17000876CPAXMX) in the Circuit Court for Hernando County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville FL 34601. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is March 30, 2018.

/s/ Elaine Schirmer
ELAINE SCHIRMER
Personal Representative
140 Turtle Creek Circle
Oldsmar, FL 34677

/s/ Stavros Tingirides
STAVROS TINGIRIDES, ESQUIRE
Attorney for Personal Representative
804 North Belcher Road, Suite 100
Clearwater, FL 33765
(727) 442-5700
Fla. Bar #0980791
Email: stavros.stpa@verizon.net

(03/30/2018), (04/06/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION

CASE NO.: 17-CA-001252
DIVISION:

BLACK POINT ASSETS, INC. AS TRUSTEE OF THE 7314 PRINCE GEORGE COURT LAND TRUST AND STAR POINTE CAPITAL, LLC, AS TRUSTEE OF THE 7314 PGC LAND TRUST
Plaintiff,
vs.
SUN BANK AND TRUST COMPANY AND JANE DOE, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE TOWLE REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT DATED 2/18/1994
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To the following Defendant(s):
JANE DOE, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE TOWLE REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST AGREEMENT DATED 2/18/1994
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 7314 PRINCE GEORGE COURT, SPRING HILL, FL 34606

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title on the following described property:

Lot 43, Timber Pines, Tract 39, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 22, at Pages 30 through 32, of the Public Records of Hernando County, Florida.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Black Point Assets, Inc., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 615 W. De Leon Street, Tampa, FL 33606 on or before May 2, 2018, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the Notice in the Business Observer and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Hernando County Courthouse, 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville FL 34601, Peggy Welch (352) 754-4402, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this 21st day of March, 2018

Don Barbee Jr.
As Clerk of the Court

By: /s/ Tara M. Halpin
As Deputy Clerk
(Court Seal)

(03/30/2018), (04/06/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

File No. 2018000093CPAXMX

IN RE: ESTATE OF SIMON DA LOMBA Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of SIMON DA LOMBA, deceased, whose date of death was November 24, 2017; File Number 2018000093CPAXMX, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hernando County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 20 N. Main Street, Brooksville, FL 34601. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is: March 23, 2018.

/s/ Dravin Dixon, Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives
Email: dravindixon@outlook.com
Florida Bar No. 952620
P.O. Box 696
Brooksville, Florida 34605
Telephone: (352) 442 6770

/s/ John Lomba,
Co-Personal Representative
3 Jared Ct.
S. Windsor, Connecticut 06074

/s/ David Roderick,
Co-Personal Representative
11 Logan Ct.
Seekonk, Massachusetts 02771

(03/23/2018), (03/30/2018)

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bryan Stamper, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of "BLS Builders" located in Hernando County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

(03/30/2018)

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Jeffrey Blum, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of "Rhino Graphix by Jeff Blum" located in Hernando County, Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

(03/30/2018)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 17-CA-899

JEFFERY J. NASSE, as Co-Trustee of the STEPHEN N. STANFORD FAMILY TRUST
Plaintiff,
vs.
CHRISTOPHER WHITE, an individual, and UNKNOWN TENANTS and/or UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: CHRISTOPHER WHITE: YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property located in Hernando County, Florida:

LOT 12, BLOCK 6, OF WEEKI WACHEE HILLS, UNIT NO. 7, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK PAGE 10, PAGE(S) 86 AND 87, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA. Parcel Identification Number: R11 123 21 1300 0000 5650

Has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on RICKY HUFF, ESQ., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Cook Sadort Law, 1744 N. Belcher Road, Suite 150, Clearwater, Florida 33765, on or before MAY 7, 2018, a date that is within 30 days after the first publication of the notice, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. DATED on 3-23-18

DON BARBEE JR.
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Elizabeth Markidias
As Deputy Clerk
(03/30/2018), (04/06/2018)

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retelling of the exodus story are reminders of the bitterness of the life of slaves making bricks and mortar to build elaborate Egyptian structures.

Central to the story is the lamb bone. It represents the sacrifice, in the Biblical account, from which blood was used to mark the door post of the home of a believing Jewish family. Seeing the blood, the death angel sent by God would "pass over" that home while taking every first-born son found in an unmarked Egyptian home to force an evil Pharaoh to let the Jewish people go.

That same theme — freedom and the sacrifice that makes it possible — is a part of the Christian observances this weekend. Many church services tonight will contain some form of a replica of the Last Supper, likely a Seder celebrated by Jesus and his closest disciples.

It was during that meal when the one whom the Bible described as "the Lamb of God slain from the foundation of the world" made a veiled explanation of how his coming death on the cross would spare a believer from a spiritual death, much like the blood of the sacrificial lamb spared the Jewish families who believed and followed God's direction.

Explaining that they

represented his body, Jesus broke off pieces of a loaf of bread and gave them to the disciples. When he distributed the wine, The Christ said it represented his blood "shed for many for the remission of sins."

That hope is behind the symbolic communion service with the unleavened bread and wine (or grape juice) which remains an integral feature of Christian worship.

Figuratively, Christians hold that when the unblemished blood of the one described as Emanuel (God with us) is applied to the heart — sort of the door post of the human soul, the sin there is covered and the believer is freed from its inevitable consequence. Through faith, he or she is eternally free to live a new kind of life.

So it is that on Good Friday Christians look back at the crucifixion of Christ with a mixture of remorse and gratitude. The entire process is seen as the fulfillment of that familiar Bible passage found in John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son so that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Even for the most ardent believer, all of that would have been meaningless without the event most celebrated by Christians — Easter, the joyful commemoration of the resurrection!

Because Jesus rose

from grave the conqueror over death, it is evidence to believers that he is who he said he was — one with God the Father. The Savior who said, "Come unto me, all you that labor and are heavy laden... and you shall find rest for your souls."

(Adon Taft for 37 of his 48 years as a reporter was religion editor for The Miami Herald. Now retired in Brooksville, FL, he can be reached at adontaft@gmail.com.)

BUSINESS / COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Gifts from Home, Inc. is in need of items to help fill boxes that they send to our service men and women. Monetary donations are also welcome to defray the cost of postage. Here are some suggested items (no glass or aerosol containers):
Wrapped hard candy, chewing gum, bubble gum
Coffee – ground or instant
Cocoa or coffee mixes for bottled water
Sugar & non-dairy creamer packs
Peanut butter, jelly in plastic squeeze bottles
Cookies, crackers, cereal & food bars,
Tuna, chicken, salmon, sardines in pouch or can
Small canned food items with pop tops
Dried fruit, nuts, trail mix
Beef jerky & Slim Jims
Instant oatmeal & cream of wheat
Ramon noodles, canned soup with pop tops
New or used CD's, DVD's
Small games, balloons & festive items
Paper, pencils, crayons, coloring books
Hand sanitizer, tooth paste, shampoo, shower gel, Q-tips & wipes

Call 352-684-4185 or email giftsfromhome@tampabay.rr.com

Pilaklikaha/Abraham's Town Historic Marker Dedication
MEMBERS & FRIENDS, we are excited to announce the dedication of a historic marker for PILAKLIKAHA, "Abraham's Town" in Sumter County. Our group was fortunate to collaborate with the Sumter County Historical Society in the past to help with this most important historical marker. Please mark your calendar for :
DEDICATION CEREMONY: APRIL 10, 2018 @ 3:00PM.
RECEPTION FOLLOWING: 3:30-5:00 PM @ Dade Battlefield Historic State Park: Bushnell, FL
For More Information: karencloud@yahoo.com www.historichernandopreservationssociety.org

Hernando County Democratic Club Meets April 4th: Guest speaker Todd Richardson of Equality Florida
The Hernando Democratic Club invites you to our monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 4th at 7pm at The Lake House, 1202 Kenlake Avenue in Spring Hill. Guest speaker will be Todd Richardson of Equality Florida. Mr. Richardson is the Pinellas County Development Officer for Equality Florida. He is a graduate of the University of South Florida College

OBITUARIES

Heino Richard Neal, age 80 of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2017. Richard is survived by his wife Martha; and 2 grandchildren. Src; Downing Green Ann Stevens, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Src; Turner

Garbinski Augusta A., age 95, of Spring Hill, passed on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. She is preceded in death by her husband Eugene. Augusta is survived by her daughter, Nancy; son, Arthur (Janet); 3 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. Src; Brewer

Antonelli Mary G., age 99, of Spring Hill, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Mary is preceded in death by her husband Ralph, her granddaughter, Rebecca Sanzi Caldaroni, and great grandson Anthony Antonelli. She is survived by her children; Ralph Jr. Joan, and Janet; 7 grandchildren; 13 great

grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandson. Src; Brewer

Kerstetter Joseph Markwood, age 53, of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 He is survived by his mother: Ruth Blouch; and girlfriend: Linda. Src; Merritt

Linn Patricia C., age 67, of Brooksville, passed away on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 a. She is survived by her husband, James "Jim" and her daughter and son-in-law. Src; Merritt

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Puleo Peter Michael, passed away on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. Src; Turner

Zabel Peter P., age 81, of Spring Hill, passed away on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. He is survived by his wife Diane; daughters, Cheryl and Melissa

(Michael); sons, Peter, Jr., (Kathryn), Frederick (Kimberly); and 5 grandchildren. Src; Brewer

Baxter Brian Ray, age 27 of Brooksville, passed away on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. Brian is predeceased by his father, Larry Baxter. He is survived by his mother, Betty B; brother, Daniel; fiance', Jenalea; nephew, Braxton; and grandmother, Brenda. Src; Brewer

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Levy Louise, age 100, passed away on Thursday, March 22, 2018. She is survived by her children, Armand and Ellen; many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Services

will be held April 21, 2018 at 2pm at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness. Src; Brewer

Tibbs Doris Mae, age 93, Brooksville, passed away on Thursday, March 22, 2018. She is preceded in death by her husband, William Tibbs, daughter, Mary Helen Ferguson and son, Stanley Paul Tibbs. She is survived by her sons and daughters-in-law: James, William (Jeanie), Kathy; 10 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Src; Merritt

Mollica Mary Elizabeth "Betty" A., age 78, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018. Betty is survived by her husband, Charles; daughter, Barbara (Eric); 2 sons, Stephen and Daniel (Tracy); and 5 grandchildren. Src; Brewer

Blewitt Gail E., age 70 of Weeki Wachee, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018. She is survived by her husband John and 2 daughters, Kelly and Ryan. Src; Brewer

Andryusky Maria, age 71, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018. Maria is survived by her husband William; children, William (Karen), Karen (David), Robert, Mary (Donald); and 6 grandchildren. Src; Brewer

Crouch Carolyn Joe, age 70, of Brooksville, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018. She was preceded in death by husband, Richard Crouch and daughter, Joey Hattenbrun. She is survived by daughter: Chelsea Crouch (Chris); step-daughter and son-in-law: Jennifer (Jim); and 1 grandson. Src; Merritt Shannon, Marian L., age 93, passed away on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Src; Merritt

Thomas Betty Jeanne, age 89, of Spring Hill, passed away on Sunday, March 25, 2018. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold. Betty is survived by her son Roger Thomas (Terri), daughter Susan (Michael), and 4 grandchildren. Src; Turner

Hazelwood Gwynette Thompson, age 66 of Brooksville passed away on Monday, March 26, 2018. She is survived by her husband Earl; daughter, Erica (Joseph); son, Drew, and 6 grandchildren. Src; Brewer

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MARRIAGES

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- Olson David Joseph and Mendez Tiffany Marie Cepeda 3/27/18
- Gibbs Donovan Raymond and Brandt Ariel Hannah 3/27/18

GRIN AND BEAR IT



"All at once?"

LAFF-A-DAY



"...Have a nice weekend."

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Solution to Sudoku on page 15

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

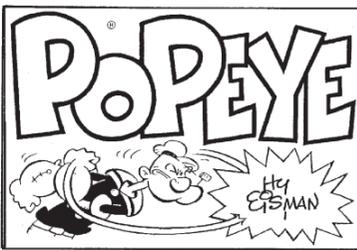
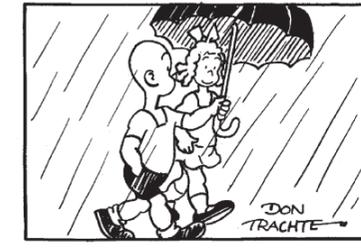
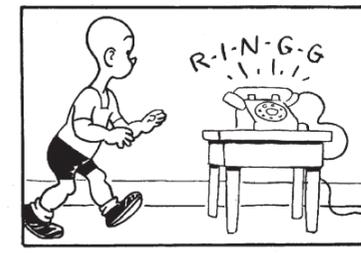
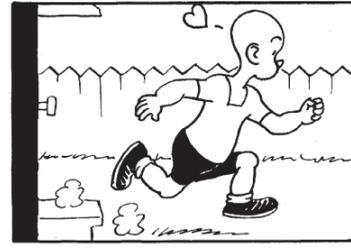
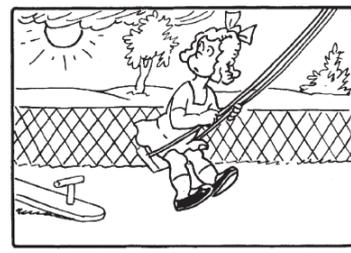
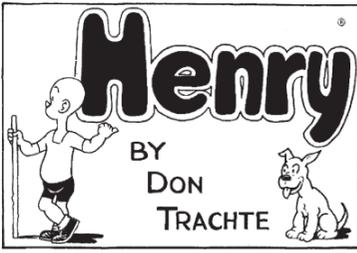
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Answers

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



DIDN'T THE CHIROPRACTOR TELL YOU TO MAYBE HAVE SOMEONE ELSE TAKE DOWN THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS THIS YEAR?

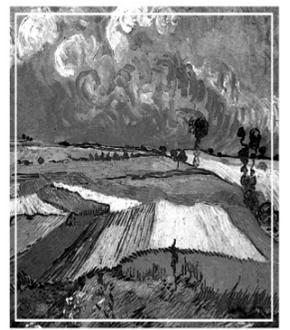
BIBLE TRIVIA
by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Psalms in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Song of Solomon 1:15, what kind of eyes does the beloved say the Shulamite has? *Kind, Red of the demon, Doves, Blue of the sea*
3. Used as both a greeting and farewell, what's the Hebrew word for "peace"? *Shass, Simcha, Shabbat, Shalom*
4. In Matthew 6, what did Jesus say not to use when we pray? *Loud curses, Impure thoughts, Vain repetitions, Wandering shifts*
5. As found in Esther 1, King Ahasuerus lived in what city? *Ur, Shushan, Antioch, Tarsus*
6. Who was the first son of Moses and Zipporah? *Haggai, Gershom, Mark, Zebudah*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Doves; 3) Shalom; 4) Vain repetitions; 5) Shushan; 6) Gershom

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THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



Ask rain from the Lord at the time of the spring rain, the Lord who makes the storm clouds; and He will give them showers of rain, vegetation in the field to each man.

ZECARIAH 10:1

OPINION

DOMENICK J. MAGLIO, PH.D.



Traditional Realist

Life is what you make it

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Everyone in life is dealt a different hand. Some are born tall or short, rich or poor, dark or light skinned, deformed or physically intact, bright or dull, from happy or dysfunctional family, and unique in many other ways. Yet all people have one thing in common: they all have freedom of choice. The decisions they make are the difference between a dignified or a pathetic life.

The wonderful thing about being a citizen of the US is that we have more opportunity than any citizens in the world. This translates into being able to find something you want to do as long as you are willing to make the necessary sacrifice to do it. There has to be a willingness to start at the bottom and work up with a positively motivated attitude and take on more responsibility without complaint about not having immediate compensation. There should also be a willingness to take risks by moving to an area with better employment opportunities, taking on new challenges or investing time and money to establish your own enterprise.

With opportunity comes the necessity of focusing one's energy without making excuses or poor choices. Excuses and eliminating choices are the death sentence for obtaining a person's goals. You can observe this in schools where many teenagers use ridiculous excuses such as "my parents did not help me," "I had a headache", "my books are at my other parent's house", and "I have no time" or "I am not smart enough." There should be no excuses or lazy choices that are acceptable when you are highly motivated.

Temporary setbacks such as an accident, illness, divorce, bankruptcy, or the death of a loved one have to be confronted and overcome. The adversity a person conquers is a life lesson that makes the individual stronger. Military soldiers who get blown up in a war zone are amazing examples of a person's tenacity. Soldiers who lost several limbs and whose spouses left because of their inability to deal with the secondary pain of witnessing their struggle are just some of the problems soldiers have to overcome. PTSD is an issue of many returning vets that has to be overcome through tremendous psychological power of the mind.

When you see individuals and young children with severe physical issues put on their prosthetics, battling to learn how to adapt their body it shows us the mental strength of human beings. Not only are these people inspirational to us all but should shame us out of wallowing in our insignificant difficulties.

When an individual does not confront obstacles necessary to lay a strong foundation to solve future difficulties they remain in a "why me?" state. If this habit of despairing over very little continues it will end in becoming a failure in one's own mind. On the other hand, the person who learns to employ his past learning experiences to gain insight has a reservoir of skills, confidence and knowledge to tackle even the most difficult situations that life has to offer. Personal "willpower" increases as the person shows himself that he can conquer serious obstacles, which can block him from reaching his goals. This self-taught knowledge is mind over matter and appears to have become a lost art.

In comparison, people who are stuck in their setbacks and chronic difficulties produce a life of misery. Their passive approach paralyzes the person, which does nothing to solve the problem. Rather it erodes the person's confidence and discourages him from focusing on the issues in front of him. They become

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BPD Chief George Turner Terminated

Ken McConnell: All wrongdoing should and must have consequences. However, with the city attempting to downsize the department and cut enforcement expenses, this could be totally manufactured as an excuse. If that be so, it is grossly unfair to the chief.

Drilling Ban could be headed to ballot

Ted Knowles: Stupid! It would tie our hands but, the rest of the world will be drilling off our s(h)ores when all we can do is watch! Hope we vote the ban down and know I will!

Ken McConnell: I support carefully restricted and limited drilling off areas of our coast, but even were it totally banned off all Florida waters, it does not address the reality of Cuba drilling just a short distance off our shores and that of Mexico which potentially could affect the entire Gulf.

We have no power at all over their practices which often are questionable.

Newspaper Tariffs threaten the newspaper industry

Sarah Nachin: Printed newspapers are part of our heritage. This tariff is an infringement of Freedom of the Press. Online newspapers are great, but some people (believe it or not) don't have the internet, aren't computer literate and don't have easy access to a library.

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God is faithful and just to forgive

Repentance is a common theme throughout the Old and New Testaments. Isaiah 55:7 declares, "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return to the Lord." Matthew chapter 4 and verse 17 says, "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." The most common translation of the word "repent" means to turn or return and more specifically from a theological perspective it represents turning away from evil and turning to God. Though most of the world is in denial, our heavenly Father has a very strong desire, actually a demand, for us to resist sin and be transformed into His image. This has never been a popular message because with us being notoriously rebellious and often referred to as depraved, we have a built-in urge to do what we want. We hate to be told how to live and proudly call it freedom, but God calls it disobedience. The gospel reveals that saving us from ourselves is why Jesus went to the cross. First Peter 1:18,19 says, "For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom He paid was not mere gold or silver. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God."

Many people commonly want to know what they have done that is so bad, and why do they need to ask forgiveness? For anyone to believe they are exempt from judgment is a huge problem because we are all sinners and cannot save ourselves. Unbelievers want everyone to leave them alone while many Christians have a tendency to relax in a false sense of security. The world is trying to avoid dealing with a guilty conscience but Christians can also drift away and become lukewarm about their need to live in the constant awareness of God's presence. Wherever you are today, repentance is an honest, regretful acknowledgment of sin with a sincere desire to be spiritually cleansed and accept God's invitation to begin a brand new life in Jesus Christ. "Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins might be blotted out when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord" Acts 3:19.

My personal understanding of repentance is centered around a conviction to stay close to God and to live according to His standards of purity. I admit I have my share of daily failures even though I know the dangers of temptation. I'm convinced that every person gives their love and attention to what is important to them as we serve whom we obey. The more we learn the more we are accountable for and yet it seems many times we still neglect the discipline to live what we believe. A key ingredient within repentance is having regret and remorse. If we are not broken-hearted and nauseated over what we have done or what we are doing then it's highly unlikely we will call on God to forgive us. When we come to a point where we are not bothered by our transgressions and have no sense of urgency to make things right, something is terribly wrong. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a person sows, that shall they also reap" Galatians 6:7.

There is more to forgiveness than just saying we are sorry. True repentance is having a change of mind and rejecting the sinful enticements that are attempting to control us. When we realize we are guilty and in need of God's grace, we are convicted to confess we are wrong and this should motivate us with a commitment to walk with God instead of against Him. Billy Graham is quoted, "The wonderful news is that our Lord is a God of mercy, and He responds to repentance. In Jonah's day, Nineveh was a wealthy superpower, unconcerned, and self-centered. When the prophet Jonah finally arrived and proclaimed God's warning, the people listened, repented and was forgiven." Wherever you are today, God wants to forgive you and give you a brand new life. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" I John 1:9.

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No smeeches for the dog-licked

GOOFY STUFF
By VINCENT CARDEGIN

During my youngest grandson's birthday party the other month I learned that he and his entire family permit their two dogs to lick them. My son-in-law, Skipper, demonstrated by letting and encouraging one of his dogs to lick him all over his face. Sometime later, out on their lanai while we were sitting in patio chairs and enjoying the early evening, my daughter Cocoa Bean, his wife, did the same thing. Aghast with disgust, I complained, citing an episode of Myth Busters where they proved a dog's mouth is not cleaner than a human's, that dog saliva contains bacteria and enzymes that allow them to digest rotten meat, and that such things are harmful to humans. In answer, they described how their son, my grandson Rex, the party boy, has in the past fallen asleep to the lickings of a dog, licking his legs, arms, and face. Well, I won't be giving them smeeches anymore.

(A smeech is a variation of a smooch, which is a kiss, but a smeech is a peck on the cheek.) I don't give Skipper smeeches, of course, but we do shake hands, and now I wonder if his hand has been tainted, either by licking or petting, and if so I don't want to shake it anymore. When we greet, we'll bump elbows or something. There are only two reasons why dogs lick you: they like human salt, or they are tenderizing your skin for possible future consumption. Dog licks are not smooches. So I'm down to one kid I can smeech, my daughter Ricochet; she also doesn't tolerate such unhealthy behavior. But the other day her son, my grandson Spud, let one of my wife's dogs lick his face, so he's out too. I still give everyone hugs, and so far I don't check my clothes for transferred dog hairs. (But now

that I just thought of it...!)

I have not seen my wife's dogs lick her, so I still give her smeeches and smooches. But if I ever do see it, or even hear that it's happened, there will be no more smooches or even smeeches from me. However, since she is my wife, I will have to accommodate her in some way, and I think I'll so do by giving her what I call flugen smeeches, which means "blowing her a kiss."

Different versions mean different things: a full-palmed flugen smeech means "I love you," one from the mid-fingers means "we're both in a hurry, but I love you;" a blown smeech from the end of an index finger means "thank you for sharing your horrible day, now leave me alone, I love you." There is a fourth gesture, but I won't use it very often: moving a finger up and down against my lips while vocalizing the sound "woooooo," which means "you're driving me crazy, but I love you."



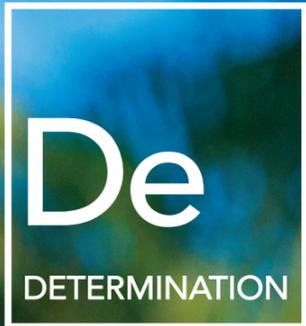
incapacitated to deal with even the most insignificant and trivial difficulties.

Our approach to living determines our future. We have freedom of choice to make our decisions to live the life we want. When we consistently think in the short run, we are living an instant gratification life, which usually does not end in happiness and inner satisfaction. Without putting aside savings for

eventual, unforeseen future occurrences like disease, accident, old age or natural disasters the ability to rebuild their lifestyle is slow and limited. Many people just complain about their bad luck instead of using their resources to solve their issues.

"Live for today" and "disregard the future" were notions of the hippies in the 1960s. It is a short sighted and utopian

view of living a good life through their entire existence. The odds of this occurring are very low and almost delusional. Let us get back to a more mature, reality life-style. We need to do the necessary things that prepare us for the future inevitabilities in each stage of the life cycle that normally confront us.



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